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HIS MAJESTY'S HEALTH

"UPWARD GRADE"

"GRAVE ANXIETY" STATED TO HAVE BEEN FELT

PULSE REMAINS STEADY

A British official wireless message from London, dated Dec. 9, 8 p.m., states—
The bulletin issued at noon today—the 19th day of the King's illness—was in the following terms:
"His Majesty the King has had several hours sleep. Prolongation of the fever is having the inevitable effect of procuring a certain measure of exhaustion. The pulse, however, remains steady."
Signed: Stanley Hewett, Dawson of Penn.

A hopeful view of the patient's progress is now being taken by those in close touch with the royal household, who state that His Majesty is definitely better than he was a week ago. It was, however, admitted in an authoritative statement, made public late last night, that there have been periods of grave anxiety during the week.

Important Statement

The statement was in the following terms:

"The King has been on the upward grade to-day after a slightly downward turn yesterday. Progress is being made, but it is necessarily slow and laborious. During last week there was great anxiety due to the fact that infection was raging through whole of system. Now the physicians are dealing with the localized infection in the lung. At the same time the position is still one of difficulty because the King has been ill for nearly three weeks and his recuperative powers are therefore less strong than they were. During this long illness the King's life has at times been in danger, but His Majesty is certainly in a safer position than he was a week ago, because the doctors are dealing with the local condition rather than the infection involving the whole body. The King is holding his own and has improved since yesterday. Illness of this kind must be tedious. There must be ebb and flow and progress must be laborious. Happily during the last twenty-four hours the tide has been flowing. Needle exploration and x-ray both showed that there was no appreciable pleural effusion and, therefore, there is no object in conducting an operation."

The Prince of Wales

The Prince of Wales left Port Said for Brindisi aboard H.M.S. "Enterprise" at 1.20 last night.

Princess Mary

Owing to the improvement in the King's condition Princess Mary was able yesterday to visit Northampton and carry out a long programme of public engagements. Early in the week it was feared she would be compelled to cancel the arrangements.

Not Reassuring

Reuter states: The bulletin is not regarded as reassuring. The exhaustion following upon 19 days' persistent fever. The reference to the pulse, for the first time, is hardly a satisfactory sign and it would seem to indicate that though the doctors are at present able to report that the pulse is steady a certain amount of anxiety exists.

The bacteriologist Sir L. E. H. Whitby, who conducted the examination in the early stages, was called to the Palace to-night and had half an hour's consultation with Sir S. Hewett and Lord Dawson.

It is understood that Sir L. E. H. Whitby did not see the King. Sir S. Hewett is again staying at the Palace to-night.

No Marked Change

Despite the reference in to-day's bulletin to a "certain measure of exhaustion," Reuter learns from the highest authority that there has been no marked change in His Majesty's condition. The bulletin is regarded as being of a less satisfactory nature than could be desired, but the exhaustion is one of the anticipated effects of a long and trying illness with its legions of the King's recuperative powers.

The bulletin issued at 3.30 and signed by two doctors says that the King passed a quiet day but there has been no diminution in the exhaustion and the pulse remains steady.

Evening Bulletin

Another bulletin was issued at 8.30 this evening to the effect that the King has passed a quiet day but

MR. F. HUSSEY-FREKE JUSTIFIED

THE SALT GABELLE

HIS ACCEPTANCE AND SECURITY OF BONDHOLDERS

"SOME BETTER THAN NONE"

London, Yesterday.
The newspapers give prominence to the statement by Mr. F. Hussey-Freke justifying his continuance in office as Associate Chief Inspector in the Salt Administration of China, under the changed conditions brought about by the Nationalist Government. Mr. Hussey-Freke points out that recently the Inspectorate has been powerless to secure any part of the salt revenue whatever; consequently, he deemed it preferable to assent to new agreement which promised something for bondholders, rather than attempt to carry on under the old system which has ceased to function.

The New System. In an editorial, points out that Mr. Hussey-Freke is a servant of the Chinese Government. "Obduracy on his part would have benefited neither the lenders nor Governments abroad. No blame can attach to him owing to the loss of control over the bondholders' security. His resignation would probably have meant the abolition of any measure of foreign supervision. The new system does, anyhow offer bondholders an opportunity of having their claims met as long as the Government can make its authority effective—whatever we may think of so provocative an entry into international relationships."—Reuter.

HONG KONG BLOW UP

SOLICITOR'S SUGGESTION TO HIS CLIENT

ECHO OF THE 1925 STRIKE

A Chinese lady made no reply in the Summary Court this morning when her own solicitor suggested to her that she went away from Hong Kong during the crisis, in 1925, "because she was afraid Hong Kong would blow up or sink."
The remark was made by Mr. C. A. S. Russ, who appeared on behalf of "Tang Lau-mi, married woman of No. 59, Lee Garden street. She sued Tang Yik-sang, merchant of No. 278, Des Vaux road West for \$1,000 alleged to have been entrusted to him on trust, on June 27, 1925.

The case was heard by Mr. Justice Jackson (Pulane Judge) Mr. J. M. Hall defended.

A Bank Which Failed

Plaintiff and defendant are cousins, said Mr. Russ. Plaintiff deposited the money with defendant, for safe keeping, through her husband.

Asked why she did so, the lady replied that she did not think it safe to bring so much money to Canton during the boycott, prompting Mr. Russ to make the observation quoted.

Plaintiff's husband also gave evidence. The defence is that the \$1,000 was deposited with the Kui On Bank, which failed.

Mr. Russ argued that defendant was not authorized by plaintiff to deposit the money in the Kui On Bank, and that defendant deposited the money in his own name instead of that for the plaintiff.

Plaintiff's husband, in the course of his testimony, recalled the fact that all were forbidden to take more than \$5 out of Hong Kong at the time.

PLANE RECORD

GIPSY MOTH'S SPLENDID TRIUMPH

Piloting a Gipsy Moth plane yesterday Mr. Butler, Chairman of the De Havilland Aircraft Company, accompanied by his wife as passenger, broke the world's speed record for two-seater light aeroplanes over a closed circuit of one hundred kilometres. The distance of roughly sixty-three miles was covered at an average speed of 192.844 kilometres hourly.

Herron Baumer and Puls in a Baumer monoplane previously held the record, namely 191.950 kilometres hourly.

The flight was officially observed. British Wireless Service.

HARVEST OF FRENCH SCANDALS

IN HIGH FINANCE

MORE ABOUT THE "GAZETTE DU FRANC"

ENGLISH BANK'S BIG LOSS

Paris, Yesterday.
With reference to the "Gazette du Franc" crash the arrest of its principal directors would seem to be the first fruits of a harvest of financial scandals in France.

The director of a Strasbourg financial concern has been arrested but the police refuse to divulge details.

Count Maurice de Courville, described as the founder of the "Gazette du Franc" in 1925 has been accused of complicity in the Hanau affair, but he has been provisionally allowed his liberty.

A Syrian, named Middart, head of a certain bank in Paris, has been arrested on a charge of defrauding an English banking concern of £150,000.—Reuter.

3 H.P. MOTOR

ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN STOLEN

COURT CASE

Describing the case as an interesting one, Mr. Hin-shing Lo appeared for the defence, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, in a case heard before Mr. E. W. Hamilton in which a Chinese and a woman were charged with the theft of a 3 h.p. electric motor from the premises of a show room of the China Light and Power Co., Ltd., at No. 149, Nam Chung street.

A second charge, that of receiving, was lodged against the woman. The theft of the motor took place some time between Dec. 1 and 3, and the value of the article is said to be \$160.

His Worship allowed bail at \$1,000 each, and remanded the case until Wednesday next at 10.30 a.m.

FASCIST COUNCIL

ASSUMES SUPREME POWER IN ITALY

MUSSOLINI ON WAR PATH

Rome, Yesterday.
The Chamber held its last session under the existing system and was then prorogued. Every Deputy wore a black shirt and a big bouquet of red roses tied with the tricolour reposed in front of Signor Mussolini's seat. The Duce was wildly cheered on his entrance and immediately after the Fascist anthem was sung.

The Bill making the Grand Fascist Council the all powerful body in the State was passed without a division.

The Kellogg Pact

Signor Mussolini, in the course of his speech, said that the Kellogg Pact was "so sublime that one might even call it transcendental." But it would be treason against the Nation to ignore the fact that the whole world is arming and building submarines, cruisers and other implements of war.

"We must have no illusions about the political state of Europe. Though a storm is approaching everybody talks of peace. We do not want to disturb the European equilibrium but we must be ready and nobody ought to be astonished if I call upon this Nation, whose convalescence is complete, to make another sacrifice so that all our forces, on sea, on land and in the air may be perfected."

The deputies here rose and cheered vociferously.—Reuter.

DRUG TRAFFIC

BIG HAUL REPORTED FROM AMERICA WORTH \$250,000

New York, Yesterday.

Police investigations indicate that Rothstein and Meunier who are under arrest for complicity in the "dope" trade derived wealth from other sources than gambling—which was their defence. The discovery is reported of two trunks at a railway station containing contraband drugs valued at \$250,000 apparently part of the stock of the principal "dope" ring in the United States.

It is also claimed that Rothstein made a practice of bailing criminals at exorbitant fees.

Five arrests have been made but all have been allowed out on bail.—Reuter's American Service.

ARMS FOR CANTON IN HONG KONG

HELD UP BY HITCH

SOLDIERS ON TRANSFER FROM HAINAN ISLAND

UNUSUAL CARGO

Brought here for conveyance to Canton, a batch of implements of war obviously belonging to the Kwangtung Government has been held up owing to a hitch.

The British ss. "Halvard" (Captain J. W. Shearer) arrived yesterday from Hailow, the port of Hainan.

NEW TARIFFS

To Operate From Feb. 1

Shanghai, To-day.
A new tariff schedule, operative from February 1 for one year, includes—

Piecegoods, shirtings and shoddies 21 to 36 candareens per piece.
Poplins, Tls. 1.26 to Tls. 1.58 per piece.

Prints not over 20 inches, 10 per cent. ad valorem; 32 to 42 inches, length 30 yards 48 candareens per piece.

Yarns, counts up to 17s. Tls. 3 per picul; counts 35 to 45 Tls. 5.10 per picul; above 45s 7 1/2 per cent. ad valorem.

Dyed yarn 7 1/2 per cent. ad valorem.
Flax yarn, flax thread, 10 per cent.

Silk piecegoods 22 1/2 per cent. Artificial silk piecegoods, 15 per cent.

Silk clothing and hosiery, 22 1/2 per cent.

Silk castris, 12 1/2 per cent. Clothing and haberdashery, 17 1/2 per cent.

Woolen piecegoods 15 per cent.—Reuter.

nan Island, which latter is part of the southern command, one of the four military areas into which Kwangtung province is divided for garrisoning purposes.

She had on board six rifles, five bayonets, 96 clips of rifle ammunition, eight revolvers and 572 rounds of ammunition, five machine-guns, guns and 1,804 rounds of ammunition, and one iron stick.

All the firearms and ammunition were in the custody of the ship. A passenger accompanying the ship.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS NUMBER

The Special Christmas Number of "The China Mail" will be published next Saturday. No large display advertising space can be guaranteed after Tuesday and advertisers are accordingly asked to send their copy in by that day. Copy for smaller advertisements will be received up to Wednesday morning.

Those desiring extra copies of the Christmas Number are asked to notify the Publisher as soon as possible so that extra copies may be printed.

ment, giving his name as Wong Chung, is described as a staff officer attached to headquarters of one of the divisions in the 11th Nationalist Army.

After the customary inspection by Revenue officers, the Police were called in—and there has been a hitch in the transfer of the arms to Canton.

In the interval, representations are being made to the Canton Government.

The 11th Nationalist Army, referred to in a foregoing paragraph, is commanded by General Chan Ming-shu (Chen Min-chu) who has been appointed chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government but has not assumed office.

The arms are believed to belong to a detachment on transfer from Hainan to Canton.

TO-DAY'S DOLLAR

The closing rate of the dollar on demand, to-day was 2/0 3/16.

SLUMP ON NEW YORK EXCHANGE

"BIG DROP"

REPORTED DEPRECIATION OF \$1,200,000,000

RADIOS BADLY HIT

New York, Yesterday.

An estimated total depreciation of about 1,200 millions sterling in the value of securities has been sustained during the last three days of last week in the big slump in Wall-street, which was marked by frenzied selling.

Nearly 3,750,000 shares were dealt with yesterday—a record for Saturday and the trading was of the most sensational character.

The fall in Radio Corporation shares, which lost 125 points from 420 which they stood was the beginning of the slump.

It is not believed, however, that anything like a general crash is likely. The losses are mostly in stocks, which lately were the subject of reckless speculation.

Responsible quarters are of opinion that the slump will tend to a healthier situation.—Reuter's American Service.

THE UNEMPLOYED

THE KING'S KINDNESS TO A MINER'S FAMILY

WORK AT SANDRINGHAM

London, Dec. 8.

An unemployed Sunderland miner and his wife and family of four children have, within the past few days, been installed in a cottage on the King's Sandringham estate on the personal instructions of the King. This ex-miner has been given regular employment as a workman on the estate and it is probable that work will also be found for one of his boys.

Two days before His Majesty caught the chill which brought on his illness he gave instructions for a letter to be sent to the Minister of Labour in which an appeal is made to property owners to make a contribution to the national problem of industrial transfer by offering employment as estate workmen to unemployed areas. The King also made the arrangements at Sandringham for the employment of an ex-miner as stated.—British Wireless Service.

WAR PENSIONS

EXPENDITURE DOWN BY \$3,000,000

ANNUAL REPORT

London, Dec. 8.

A feature of the annual report of the Ministry of Pensions, issued to-day, is the steady decline of the number of beneficiaries. The total number of persons in receipt of pensions or allowances from the Ministry at the end of the year was 1,584,850, comprising approximately 24,900 officers, 1,000 nurses, 488,000 men, 144,000 widows, 415,000 children and 510,000 other dependants.

The remarriage of widows during the year caused a reduction in their total of 2,500. The pensionable age limit of sixteen was reached by 65,000 children and there were 27,000 deaths.

The total expenditure of the Ministry for the year was \$59,800,000, being about \$3,300,000 less than the previous year.—British Wireless Service.

U.S. SUPER "SUBS."

TWO MORE AT COST OF \$1,350,000 EACH

Washington, Yesterday.

President Coolidge has asked Congress to authorize the expenditure of an additional \$1,350,000 on each of two giant submarines at present being constructed.

This extra grant is necessitated by an alteration to the vessels' engines.—Reuter's American Service.

Mr. F. G. Penny, the member for Kingston, and one of the Whips, guards the door of the Lobby of the House of Commons at nights, and tries to prevent members from escaping. He says, "You're not going away old man, are you?" in such a way that even the member with the most pressing invitation to dine outside, postpones it to conform to the Whip's wishes.

"SIX MILES PER MINUTE"

SCHNEIDER CUP

TO BE FLOWN NEXT YEAR OVER THE SOLENT

THE ENTRANTS

London, Yesterday.

It is understood that next year's Schneider Trophy race will be flown over the Solent, and that a triangular course will be fixed. France, the United States and Italy have all intimated their intention to attempt to wrest the trophy from Britain.

Experts believe that the race will be won at an average speed of 320 miles hourly by planes that will attain velocity of at least six miles per minute "on the straight."—British Wireless Service.

BOLIVIAN OUTBREAK

SERIOUS BORDER INCIDENTS REPORTED

"GIVEN HIS PASSPORT"

Lapaz, Bolivia, Yesterday.

In view of the official information that a large part of the garrison, namely twenty-five Bolivian soldiers, have been killed by 300 Paraguayans alleged trespassing on Bolivian territory, the Minister for Foreign Relations has handed the Paraguayan Charge d'Affaires, Signor Ayala, his passport. Signor Ayala was escorted to the border under guard.

Fight Near a Fort

Buenos Aires, Yesterday.

A message from Asuncion states that the occupants of a fort built by the Bolivians near Galpon fired on a party of Paraguayans, who returned the fire and captured several officers and soldiers.—Reuter's American Service.

SIR ARTHUR PAGET

DEATH OF GUARDS GENERAL

London, Yesterday.

The death is announced of Sir Arthur Paget.—Reuter.
[General Rt. Hon. Sir Arthur Paget (Henry Fitzroy), P.C. Ireland, 1912; G.C.B., cr. 1913; K.C.B., cr. 1907; K.C.V.O., cr. 1906; C.B., 1904; C.V.O. 1901; King at Arms, O.B.E., b. Mar. 1, 1851; e. s. of late Gen. Lord Alfred H. Paget, C.B., and Cecilia (d. 1914), 2nd d. and co-heir of G. T. Wyndham, Cromer Hall, Norfolk; m. 1878, Mary (d. 1919), s. d. of late Paron and Marietta Stevens; two s. and d. Entered Scots Guards, 1869; Lt.-Col. 1882; Col. 1895; Maj-Gen. 1900; served Ashanti War, 1873 (medal with clasp); Sudan, 1885 (medal with clasp, Khedive's star); Burma, 1887-88 (medal with clasp); action of Gemalzah (clasp); commanded 1st Scots Guards, South Africa; 20th Brigade (despatches, medal 6 clasps); 1st Div. 1st Army Corps, 1902-6; Eastern Command, 1908-11; Officer commanding the Forces in Ireland, 1911-17; holds Order of the Red Eagle (first class).]

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SOVIET AGENTS

COMMUNISTS ARRESTED IN CAIRO

Cairo, Yesterday.

The Police arrested a number of alleged Communist agitators at their homes yesterday including a Russian Jew named Ellahu Teper who is believed to have been specially sent from Moscow by the Communist International following the deportations of Communists from Egypt on June 26 to revive communist activities in that country.—Reuter's American Service.

GERMAN PROTEST

ALLEGED FRENCH ESPIONAGE

Berlin, Yesterday.

Germany has protested to Paris and the Rhineland High Commission against industrial espionage practised by the French Secret Service.—Reuter.

PERSISTENT GLOOM AT LUGANO

GERMAN DEMANDS

HERR STRESEMANN WANTS A CLEAR-CUT STATEMENT

RHINELAND PROBLEM

Lugano, Yesterday.

Persistent gloom has displaced the usual sunshine, and pessimists, who are in the majority here, regard the bad weather as an unfavourable omen presaging that the League Council, particularly the "big three" (Sir Austen Chamberlain, M. Briand and Herr Stresemann) will not be very successful in clarifying the international political atmosphere, which is somewhat darkened by Sir A. Chamberlain's and M. Briand's recent statements on the evacuation of the Rhineland and reparations.

Herr Stresemann whom his Berlin opponents nickname "the Minister of Illusions," is reported to be determined to demand from M. Briand and Sir A. Chamberlain a clear-cut statement on both matters. He is emphasising Article 431 of the Treaty, which stipulates the immediate evacuation of the Rhineland if or before the expiration of 15 years, Germany complies with all undertakings resulting from the Treaty. Herr Stresemann has already conferred privately and separately with M. Briand and Sir Austen.

Friendly Interview

M. Briand, accompanied by an interpreter and Professor Eynard, conferred for an hour with Herr Stresemann at the latter's hotel.

French circles are reticent in regard to the discussion. German circles declared the interview was most friendly and related to items on the agenda of the League Council, also to general political questions and doubtless referring to the evacuation of the Rhineland and reparations.

The conversations are to be continued.

M. Briand declined to make a statement and looked pre-occupied. He subsequently visited Sir A. Chamberlain, with whom he had only 10 minutes conversation owing to the lateness of the hour.—Reuter.

VISCOUNT BYNG

MEETS SIR W. HORWOOD AT SCOTLAND YARD

POLICE PROBLEMS DISCUSSED

It was revealed recently that the retiring Commissioner of Police, Sir William Horwood, and the new Commissioner, Lord Byng, had met and discussed the many problems which confront the police to-day.

Standing on the main staircase of the Yard Sir William Horwood a few days later bade farewell to his staff of 300. He thanked them for their services, but made no mention of the troubled times through which the police have been passing.

Sir William was given five pieces of silver. Three, including a huge fruit bowl and two silver cups, were presented by Rear-Admiral Sir W. Royle, the Deputy Commissioner, on behalf of the assistant commissioners and chief constables. Two silver caskets were presented by Supt. Mac-Millan on behalf of the various area superintendents, all of whom attended the Yard for the ceremony.

The retiring Commissioner performed his last official act by handing the Victor Ludorum Cup to the Superintendent of H. Division. The cup is competed for by the Metropolitan Divisions, and is won by the division securing the highest aggregate points in all forms of athletic sports.

This new Commissioner was to make his first public appearance in his new capacity at the Armistice ceremony at the Cenotaph.

Sir Wyndham Childs

Sir Wyndham Childs, the head of the C.I.D., who is also leaving the Yard, was presented with a gold cigarette case by the officers of the special political branch.

New York, Yesterday.—The first snow fell in the town and surrounding country to-day. Up to now an inch has fallen and the thermometer is at thirty degrees Fahrenheit. Experts predict an unusually severe winter.—Reuter's American Service.

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EXHIBITION.

EXHIBITION OF PEARLS: Mr. Kodaka arrives on the 14th to open his exhibition of pearls at Messrs. Komor & Komor. See advertisement on the 15th.

PUBLIC BAND CONCERT.

A Public Band Concert will be given in the
BOTANIC GARDENS
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**IN H.B.M. CONSULAR COURT
AT AMOY**

BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION
No. 3 of 1928
re TAIT & CO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN—that there will be a Meeting of Creditors of the Above-named Debtor Firm at 10 in the forenoon in the Court Room at H.B.M. Consulate, Amoy, on FRIDAY, 14th day of December, 1928. Creditors wishing to attend should send in their claims to the undersigned, at the firm's address, Amoy, Dated this 28th day of November, 1928.

W. D. RUSSELL, A.C.A.
Receiver.

**IN H.B.M. CONSULAR COURT
AT AMOY**

BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION
No. 3 of 1928
re TAIT & CO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN—that the Above Named Court has appointed the 13th day of December, 1928, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon for proceeding with the Public Examination of the Above-named Debtor Firm in the Court Room at H.B.M. Consulate, Amoy, Dated this 28th day of November, 1928.

W. D. RUSSELL, A.C.A.
Receiver.

**IN H.B.M. CONSULAR COURT
AT AMOY**

BANKRUPTCY JURISDICTION
No. 3 of 1928.

IN the matter of TAIT & COMPANY, Debtors
Whereas an order dated 15th October, 1928, was made against the above debtors on the petition of JAMES LARDEN BROMFIELD representing himself to be the Sole Partner.

And whereas it now appears that FREDERICK BROUGHAM MARSHALL is still a partner in the Debtor Firm.

Now upon concurrence of the said FREDERICK BROUGHAM MARSHALL in the said petition. It is ordered that the receiving order of 16th October, 1928, be amended to include FREDERICK BROUGHAM MARSHALL as partner in TAIT & COMPANY.

Dated this 26th day of November, 1928.

By the Court,
H. H. BRISTOW,
Provincial Judge.

THEATRE ROYAL

December 14th, 15th, 17th, 18th, 21st and 22nd at 9 p.m.

MATINEE—Wednesday, Dec. 19th at 4.30 p.m.

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EXAM. RESULTS

ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE
AWARDS

LECTURES ON DISEASE

In connection with the Examination for Sanitary Science and Sanitary Inspectors held at King's College on October 24 and 25, the following cable has been received from the Royal Sanitary Institute, London: "Morris, King's College, Hong Kong.

"Examiners recommendations approved. Sanitary."

The following candidates were recommended for a pass:—

Sanitary Science:—
Reginald Raymond Wood, Hong Kong.

Ernest Savage, Hong Kong.
Alfred Walter William Salter, Hong Kong.

Sydney James Salter, Hong Kong.
Walter James Morris, Hong Kong.

Sanitary Inspectors:—
John Lizerovitch, Shanghai.
Roy Martin Howells, Shanghai.

Constantine M. Bogomoloff, Shanghai.
Anatoly C. Pickel, Shanghai.

George William Gunn, Hong Kong.
Alexander C. Sinton, Hong Kong.

George H. Sheriff, Hong Kong.
James Ivor Barnes, Hong Kong.

William H. Whittaker, Hong Kong.

Lectures

The Act. Assist. Commissioner has arranged with the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services for the members of the St. John Ambulance Brigade to give a series of lectures on smallpox and malaria, in the New Territories.

The Programme is as follows:—
Date Place Lecturer

Dec. 8 Sheung Shui Sze, Chung, Fanning U Kai-cheung

15 Tai Po Market Chan Wang-fat 16 Un Long Chak Tai-kwong

22 Tuen Wan Cheung Yan-sang To Kwa Wan Wong Ma-to

29 Shamshuipo U Kai-cheung Kowloon City Ho Chung-yue

Jan. 5 Aberdeen Wong Ma-to Cheung Chow Chan Wang-fat

12 Stanley Sze Chung Shaukiwan Pang Shui-kwai

After each lecture, the members will proceed with vaccination.

SIR M. LAMPSON

Nanking, Saturday.
Sir Miles Lampson (the British Minister to China) called on Marshal Chiang Kai-shek and General Feng Yu-hsiang this afternoon. The conversations between them were very cordial.—Reuter.

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King's College Division	3,057
Railway Division	825
Indian Division	350
Kowloon Division	19,889
Mongkok Division	4,288
Shaokwan Division	1,039
Un Long	38
St. Joseph's College Division	1,818
Victoria Nursing Division	162
Y.W.C.A. Nursing Division	162
Total	34,147

"JOY RIDE"**ENDS IN DISASTER & COURT
PROCEEDINGS**

A new taxi belonging to the New Taxi Co., crashed outside the Dragon Motor Garage at Wongnei-chong on Saturday morning and was damaged to the extent of \$700.

It was alleged that it was taken out of its garage in Russell-street by two young car cleaners for a "joy ride." The taxi first collided with and damaged a private ricksha and then swerved and ran into the wall of the Dragon Garage.

The two-boys were arrested and charged before Major C. Willson, O.B.E., at the Central Magistracy, on Saturday.

They were remanded until this morning.

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SIBERIA MARU	Tuesday, 11th December.
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LONDON, MARSEILLES, ANTWERP, ROTTERDAM via Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Suez.	
KATO MARU	Saturday, 15th December.
KATORI MARU	Saturday, 29th December.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE via Manila & Port.	
SADO MARU	Wednesday, 19th December.
AKI MARU	Wednesday, 23rd January.
BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang & Colombo.	
MURORAN MARU	Thursday, 13th December.
NAGATO MARU	Thursday, 27th December.
SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los Angeles, Mexico & Panama.	
GINYO MARU	Tuesday, 18th December.
SOUTH AMERICA (East Coast) via Singapore, Cape Town & Port.	
KAMAKURA MARU	Saturday, 5th January.
NEW YORK via PANAMA.	
ASUKA MARU	Wednesday, 12th December.
TAKAKA MARU	Monday, 31st December.
LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Gen va, Marseilles.	
DAKAR MARU	Friday, 21st December.
CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
CEYLON MARU	Monday, 10th December.
MORIOKA MARU	Sunday, 10th December.
SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.	
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LONDON, HAMBURG, ROTTERDAM & ANTWERP—Via Singapore, Colombo, Suez and Port Said.	
ANDES MARU	Monday, 10th December.
ALTAI MARU	Monday, 7th January.
RIO DE JANEIRO, SANTOS & BUENOS AIRES—Via Saigon, Singapore, Colombo, Durban & Cape Town.	
MANILA MARU	Saturday, 29th December.
BOMBAY via Singapore & Colombo.	
INDUS MARU	Thursday, 20th December.
SHUNKO MARU	Thursday, 3rd January.
(Calls at Penang & Karachi).	
DURBAN, LOURENÇO MARQUES, BEIRA, DAR-ES-SALAAM, ZANZIBAR & MOMBASA—Via Singapore & Colombo.	
MEXICO MARU	Sunday, 5th January.
CALCUTTA—Via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.	
TACOMA MARU (Omits Panama).	Wednesday, 2nd January.
VICTORIA, SEATTLE, TACOMA & VANCOUVER—Via Japan Ports From Shanghai.	
ARIZONA MARU	Tuesday, 18th December.
MELBOURNE—Via Manila, Brisbane & Sydney.	
BURMA MARU	Saturday, 5th January.
SAIGON	
HAIPHONG—Via Hoihow & Pakhoi.	
MENADO MARU	Thursday, 20th December, 10 a.m.
NEW YORK—Via Japan ports, San Francisco & Panama.	
JAPAN PORTS.	
ATLAS MARU	Friday, 14th December.
BATAVIA MARU	Thursday, 20th December.
KEELUNG—Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
HOZAN MARU	Sunday, 13th December Noon.
TAKAO—Via SWATOW & AMOY.	
DELI MARU	Friday, 14th December 10 a.m.
TAKAO & KEELUNG	
BATAVIA MARU	Thursday, 20th December.

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SHIPPING SECTION.

THEY COME AND GO

MOVEMENTS OF CHINESE IN THE COLONY

SHIPPING RETURN

During the month of November, 1928, 188,812 passengers arrived in Hong Kong but 145,104 departed. These returns of passengers are made up as follows—

Arrivals	Departures
Ocean steamers 51,580	Ocean steamers 50,485
River steamboats 91,892	River steamboats 91,892
Junks and launches 8,888	Junks and launches 8,277
188,812	145,104

It will be seen that the arrivals by ocean steamers exceed the departures. This indicates that more Chinese have returned from abroad than have left here. As the departures by river steamboats exceed the arrivals, it is presumed that such returning emigrants have gone back to the country forthwith, also that a number of transient residents in the Colony have also returned to "up-country," an indication that conditions in the adjacent provinces have improved.

MARINE COURT

FOUR CHARGES AGAINST SCHOONER MASTER

FISHERMEN FINED

Chung Ming, master of the motor schooner "Kaito Maru" was charged before Comdr. J. B. Newell, D.S.O., R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, with four charges (1) leaving the port without a clearance (2) having no licence for a motor schooner (3) no certificated engineer (4) no certificated coxswain.

Defendant pleaded guilty to all of the charges and was fined \$25 on each count.

Pleading guilty to two charges of using bright lights for the purpose of fishing in the prohibited area and with not using a properly shaded bright light, four fishermen were fined this morning.

NAVAL MOVEMENTS

H.M.S. "Hermes" sailed from Kuda yesterday for Manila. H.M.S. "Bluebell" sailed from Pagoda Anchorage, Foochow, for Keelung, Formosa.

On Saturday, H.M.S. "Magnolia" arrived at Shanghai from Pagoda Anchorage.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS

The B. I. s.s. "Takada" left Amoy for this port yesterday and is due here to-day.

The B. I. s.s. "Talma" left Singapore for this port on Dec. 5 afternoon, and is due here on Wednesday morning.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" arrived at Colombo on Thursday at 6 a.m., left Colombo at 4 p.m., and is due at Port Said on Dec. 15 at 6 p.m.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of France" from Hong Kong on Nov. 28, left Yokohama on Thursday, and is due at Vancouver on Dec. 15.

The Ben Line s.s. "Bennarty" from Europe, Straits and Philippines is due to arrive here on Dec. 16.

The C.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Asia" left Vancouver for Hong Kong, via Japan ports and Shanghai, on Dec. 1, and is due here on Dec. 20. She will sail for Manila on Dec. 21 at 5 p.m.

AT THE FERRY

COURT SEQUEL TO AN ASSAULT

MAGISTRATE'S WARNING

A ricksha coolie and a motor driver were ordered to sign a bond for future behaviour at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday when the former was charged with assaulting the latter at the Star Ferry wharf last Friday. The quarrel, it was alleged, arose when a motor car bumped into a ricksha resulting in blows.

Mr. E. W. Hamilton commented that should there be further trouble at the Ferry some people would find themselves getting imprisonment sentences.

NO CONTRACTS

SCOTTISH SHIPBUILDING INDUSTRY IN A BAD WAY

The month of October stands out prominently in the shipbuilding industry as the one with the smallest output for this year. The returns show that the new tonnage carried forward, as it were, from the time of the labour troubles of the year 1926 has been completely worked off, and now the yards are dependent on the more recent orders. These have, unfortunately, been few in comparison with the capacity of the yards, and now it is only too evident that there are dull times ahead. During the past month the number of new contracts reported was only for some 10 vessels, but, on this, the last day of October, comes the welcome news of the placing of the Clyde of an order for a large Canadian Pacific liner, which will ensure work for a large number of men during the next three years. The output for the month of October was follows—

Vessels	Tons
The Clyde 8	12,835
The Forth 4	742
The Tay 1	5,421
The Dee and Moray Firth 5	1,461
Total 18	20,459

"The Clyde" total is by far the poorest month's output for the year, and is less than half the previous month—April. The 10 months' total is now 168 vessels of 498,658 tons, which is a good deal less than the best for the same period, which was 218 vessels of 559,834 tons for the 10 months of the year 1913. The announcement has just been made that the contract for the new 40,000-ton Canadian Pacific liner (to be named the "Empress of Britain") has been placed with Messrs. John Brown and Company, Clydebank. The new vessel will be 780 feet in length, and will have a speed of 24 knots, enabling her to do the Southampton—Cherbourg—Quebec run in five days. She will be the largest vessel of the fleet owned by the Company, and will cost about \$3,000,000. It will be 1931 before she is completed, and this contract will mean steady employment for several thousand men.

MOTOR DREDGER

LARGEST IN EUROPE SUCCESSFULLY LAUNCHED

The biggest oil-engined dredger built in Europe has been launched from the Rijkse Yard, for the Ministry of Public Works, Buenos Aires. It is 290 ft. 6 ins. b.p., with a beam of 59 ft., and is equipped with four 900 h.p. Smit-M.A.N. compressorless Diesel engines coupled to dynamos. The propellers are to be driven by electric motors, as also are the pumps and other plant on the ships. The vessel's speed is to be 9 knots. It is named "M.O.P. 216 C."

O.S.K. SHIPS

JAPANESE ROUND-THE-WORLD SERVICE

The two motor ships which the "Osaka" and "Shosen" are building for their Japan-American round-the-world service are due for completion respectively in 1929 and 1930.

They are of 9,500 tons gross and, with 6,000 h.p. Sulzer engines, will have a trial-trip speed of 21 knots. The cylinder bore is 360 mm. and the stroke 1,200 mm. There will be accommodation for nearly 100 first-class passengers and 1,000 third-class.

NEW VESSELS

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Considerable changes have been made in the arrangements of the four motor ships ordered by the East Asiatic Co., but final details of the vessels may now be given, as follows.

Two are to be of similar type, one constructed at the Nakskov Yard and the other by Burmeister and Wain. Each will be of 8,000 tons d.w.c., 442 ft. long with a beam of 57 ft. Twin-screw B. and W. four-stroke single-acting machinery of 6,000 h.p. will be installed.

A third vessel will be built at the Nakskov Yard, of 14,100 tons deadweight capacity, 488 ft. long with a beam of 63 ft. Twin-screw Burmeister and Wain machinery of 6,600 h.p. will be installed, this being of the single-acting four-stroke type. The ship is for the Bangkok service, and will have a speed of 12 1/2 knots.

The fourth ship will be built by Burmeister and Wain, and will be of 11,600 tons deadweight capacity. It is for the European-Pacific service, and will have accommodation for 50 passengers. The length will be 465 ft. b.p., the beam 62 ft., and the loaded draught about 28 ft. 3 ins.

In this ship will be installed the first Burmeister and Wain double-acting two-stroke engine. It is to develop 6,000 h.p., or 7,700 h.p., and will have six cylinders, 620 mm. bore with a piston stroke of 1,400 mm., the speed being 95 r.p.m.

Refrigerated space for the carriage of fruit to the extent of 70,000 cubic ft. will be provided. Delivery of this interesting vessel will be in November, 1929.

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ARRIVALS.

Passengers per s.s. "Chang" from Australia ports, on Dec. 8: Mrs. L. V. Hutton, Mrs. W. K. Reynolds, Master Reynolds, Miss K. O'Neill, Mr. J. Adam, Mr. & Mrs. W. Frowenfeld, Mr. & Mrs. W. Osterom, Mrs. C. A. Bowker, Miss E. M. Bowker, Mr. & Mrs. C. F. Taylor, Miss B. L. Laird, Miss R. Carter, Dr. L. Bamber, Mr. C. W. A. Scott, Miss M. Barrett, Capt. S. A. Allison, Mrs. L. Murray, Mr. A. Cronberg, Mr. H. M. Wright.

Passengers per s.s. "Kashima Maru" from London via ports, on Dec. 9: Mrs. L. de Lathuy Heyndrickx, Mrs. C. Cruz, Mr. I. Jansson, Mr. C. Maneja, Rev. J. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Prior, Rev. P. A. Taggart, Mr. M. Vioria, Mr. and Mrs. R. Viola, Master R. Viola, Miss I. Viola, Mr. J. Viola, Rev. F. Dom. E. Buttrill, Mr. J. W. Dear, Rev. E. R. Fulkerson, Mr. M. Glicher, Mr. W. A. Grindley, Miss E. M. Jensen, Rev. F. Dom H. Margo, Mrs. H. E. Oveson, Miss N. Oveson, Mrs. M. Oveson, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Purcell, Mr. and Mrs. A. Rasmussen, Miss E. Rasmussen, Miss E. F. Shekury, Mr. B. Stenson, Mr. K. Awazu, Mr. M. Masui, Mr. and Mrs. Miyajima, Prof. Y. Murakami, Mr. K. Niwa, Mr. R. Noda, Mr. K. Nonogaki, Mr. and Mrs. K. Asahima, Master S. Asahima, Master T. Asahima, Mr. and Mrs. F. Fukumatsu, Mr. T. Fukumatsu, Mr. T. Goh, Dr. S. Hirayama, Mr. G. P. Lambeth, Mr. S. Mehta, Mr. T.

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A Foochow telegram to the Chinese press says that the "Spirit of the Pearl River," a Cantonese seaplane, piloted by Mr. Chen Ching-yun, crashed at Lu Hu Yu, Fukien, last Saturday evening, whilst on its way from Canton to Shanghai. Fortunately, the pilot and his companions escaped injury but the machine was badly damaged. Admiral Yang Shu-chuang, chairman of the Fukien Provincial Government and commander-in-chief of the fleet, has despatched a gunboat to bring the airman to Shanghai.

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QUESTIONS TO BE ASKED AT
TO-MORROW'S MEETING

SMALL-POX OUTBREAK

The next fortnightly meeting of the Sanitary Board will be held to-morrow afternoon, when the prevalence of small-pox, a Kowloon sewer-outlet into the harbour, and the pollution of Yaumati refuse will be dealt with.

Mr. J. P. Braga has given notice of a series of questions, as follows:

Owing to the prevalence of small-pox at Kowloon and the unsatisfactory sanitary condition of certain districts thereof, will the Head of the Sanitary Department state—
Whether he is aware of the existing encroachment of the stone jetty, to the north of Kowloon Marine Lot 49 and forming the southern arm of the Yaumati Typhoon Shelter, by fifty hovels, made up of old slipper boats, matting and short lengths of canvas, which are used as the habitations of a large number of human derelicts who should be taken care of by existing charitable organisations?

Were these habitations pitched up under licence, and, if so, by whom and under what authority were the licences granted to the permittees?

If the objections are unauthorised, what steps is it proposed to take for their removal and the better housing of their inhabitants—toughless men and women old and well stricken in age?

Nuisance Collection.
Will the Head of the Sanitary Department inform the Board if periodical inspections are made of the condition of the harbour around the sewer outlet in front of Kowloon Marine Lot 49?

If so, will he lay the latest report of those inspections on the table for the information of members of the Board?

Is the Medical Officer of Health aware that large quantities of human excreta are discharged from the said sewer and remain floating at the base of the stone jetty off Wai Ching Street?

Will he state whether this obnoxious collection of nauseating matter is detrimental to public health?

Will the Government devise means for the discharge of sewage from the Yaumati district to a point beyond the stone jetty where the tide can disperse it?

Garbage Chute.
With a view to minimising the danger of polluting the Yaumati Typhoon Shelter, is there any good reason why the garbage chute should not be removed from its present position at the bottom of Saigon Street to a point, outside the Shelter, to the North of it where the motor refuse lorries can discharge their loads into the Sanitary Department barges?

Will the Government consider the advisability of such removal at an early date?

Will the Government cause investigations to be made into the success or otherwise of existing incinerators in large industrial establishments in the Colony for the destruction of refuse with a view to its adoption by the Government?

STANDARD TIME.

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Sunrise and Sunset in Hong Kong for December, 1928, (standard time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich), is as follows:

Dec.	Sunrise.	Sunset.
10	6.52 a.m.	5.40 p.m.
11	6.53	5.40
12	6.53	5.40
13	6.54	5.40
14	6.55	5.41
15	6.55	5.41
16	6.56	5.42
17	6.56	5.42
18	6.57	5.42
19	6.57	5.43
20	6.58	5.43
21	6.58	5.44
22	6.59	5.44
23	6.59	5.45
24	7.00	5.45
25	7.00	5.46
26	7.01	5.47
27	7.01	5.47
28	7.02	5.48
29	7.02	5.48
30	7.02	5.49
31	7.03	5.49

London, Nov. 17.—A ship on the back by a shipmate who was congratulating a wireless operator named Jones, on board a British ship, on his engagement to a girl in "Wales," resulted in a tragedy. An engineer, hearing the news, gave Jones such a hearty slap that he over-balanced and fell overboard, dragging Jones with him. The engineer was rescued but Jones was drowned.

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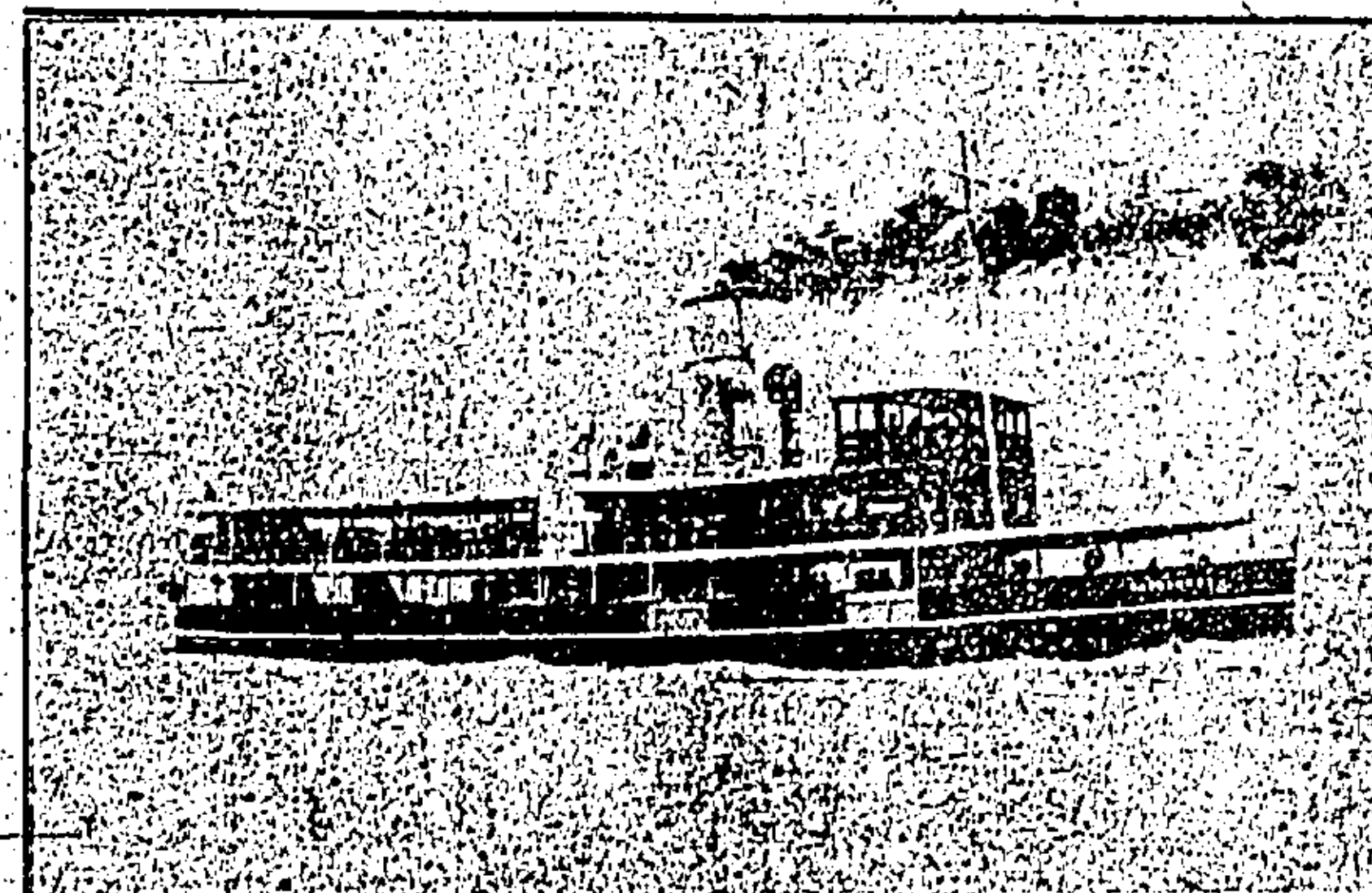
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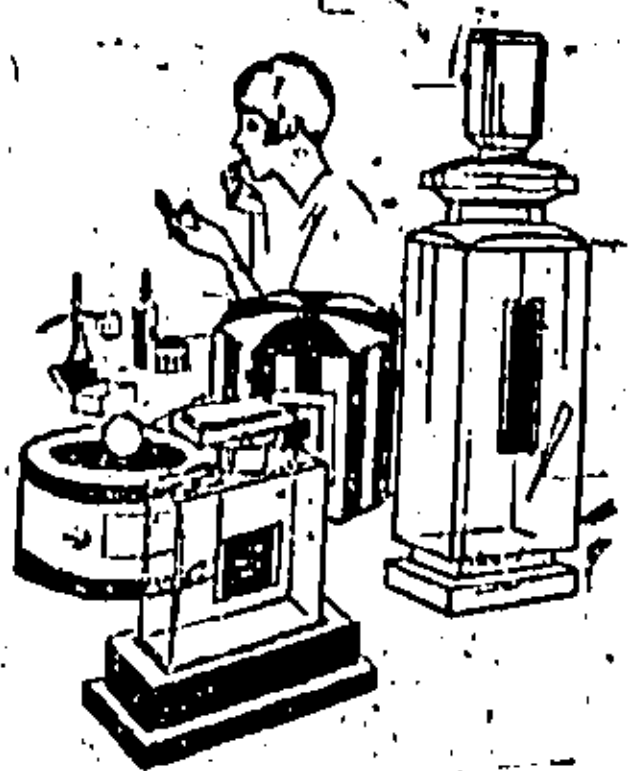
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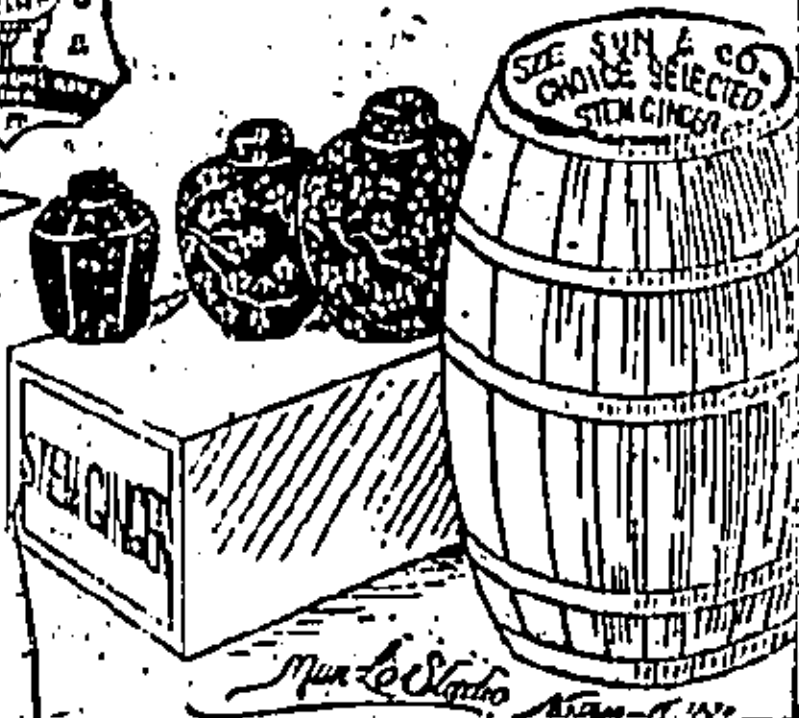
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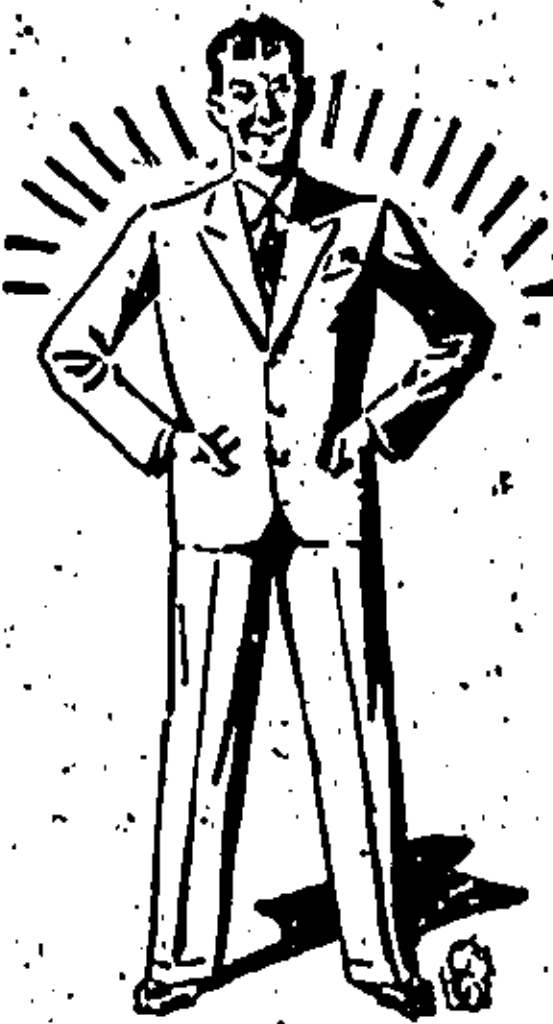
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RUSSIA'S "RED" TYRANNY

Following close upon the news sent by Radek, the colleague and fellow-sufferer in exile of Trotsky, comes further details of the hardships of political prisoners in Siberia. Those in opposition to Stalin were compelled to leave Moscow for some outlandish part of Siberia, where as a political prisoner neither Trotsky nor any of his followers would be likely to hamper the activities of the Soviet Executive. The news to which we allude is to the effect that Trotsky and other political prisoners have been seriously ill in consequence of their experiences. Radek, therefore, begged the Executive to grant Trotsky and several others permission to return to Russia proper. Judging by what has since happened the appeal not only fell upon deaf ears, but since then a more rigorous and ruthless handling of those believed to be sympathetic with Trotsky has been enforced. The latest news to hand reveals a deplorable state of affairs, and one which illuminates for us the life lived in Russia to-day under the tyranny of Stalin, as head of the Executive and of his colleagues. Neither the state of affairs in Russia, at present nor at any other time would interest us particularly—at least not to the extent of commenting upon it—for long ago we gave up all hope of expecting anything approaching rational conduct to emanate from the actions of the Soviet.

Nothing could be more fallacious than the animosity and bitterness caused by those holding the fundamental belief of the Bolsheviks towards those in other classes of society, especial-

ly towards those plainly superior by nature and who, by the exercise of gifts of head and heart are obviously the natural leaders in any country. It was, we believe, because Trotsky and his followers at last saw the futility of continuing the ruthless policy of repression against the best elements in their population that they incurred the opposition, the hatred and, ultimately, the tyranny of the Soviet Executive which brought about their exile in Siberia.

But, as stated, the situation in the land of the Soviet and even with regard to their political prisoners in Siberia would hardly be worth while noticing were it not for the particularly interesting statement that among the latest batch of Trotskyites, sent into exile, it is authoritatively mentioned that there is a group of Chinese youths, among whom is a son of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. These misguided youths were sent from China as students to acquire western culture but, unhappily they were (at a time when Borodin and other Soviet agents were busy and successful in China) sent to Russia instead of to some really enlightened country. Evidently they have been "busier" with politics than with other subjects, of which they probably stood more in need, and the consequence is that, having fallen foul of the Soviet Executive in their advocacy of "solidarity with Radek" they have been sent to share that unhappy individual's exile. Young Chiang, like the son of Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang, became so pronounced a revolutionary that he did not hesitate to denounce his own father when that distinguished man's actions in China were not to the liking of the son in Russia. Chiang, jun, in Siberia, and the youthful Feng, who is presumably still in Russia, will doubtless cool down in time and see the folly of their youthful impetuosity. Quite plainly there is no hope for Soviet Russia while dominated by ruthless "Reds" of the Stalin (so-called "Man of Steel") type.

Since the above was written a contradiction has come from Moscow regarding the Chinese prisoners; but the Russians, as is well known do not scruple to report what suits only themselves. Time will tell whether Reuter's original telegram is accurate or otherwise.

The Fete
Local Catholics and their friends of other denominations again gave material proof of their generosity yesterday when the annual fete of St. Vincent de Paul

was staged in the Compound of the Roman Catholic Cathedral. About this noble institution much has already been written, and its good work in the services of the poor is known throughout the Colony and far afield. Yesterday's fete, we are given to understand, compared most favourably from a financial viewpoint with those of former years, which is indeed good news. Apart from this most important consideration, the affair was a definite success in that it afforded a large proportion of the children of the Colony an afternoon's sterling fun among toys galore. For the grown-ups, too, there was entertainment of various kinds and those who did not participate in the "sweeps" no doubt enjoyed either the music of the Borderers' band, the "Titania" concert party or the spectacular display given by the Manila Shows. In this little note concerning a happy and successful charitable effort a word of praise on behalf of the activities of the large party of willing helpers is not out of place; it is, in fact, most amply deserved; all who participated combined most ably in assuring the success of the fete.

An old man may be anyone from twenty-five years up. A man is as old as his mind. Open-mindedness to ideas is not a quality of age. It has nothing to do with the time one has spent in this world.—"San Francisco Chronicle."

A further 12 cases of small-pox were reported among Chinese yesterday.

Mrs. W. T. Southern will present the prizes at the Peking School on Friday, December 21 at 5.15 p.m.

The forthcoming marriage is announced of Mr. C. N. Dragon, of St. Joseph's College, to Miss L. M. Santos, of No. 12, Prince Terrace.

Sir Reginald Stubbs, Captain-General and Governor of Jamaica, returned to the island from England on November 9 and resumed duties.

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The Rev. G. T. Waldegrave, M.A., will deliver a lecture on "Life in an Internment Camp (January to July, 1915)" at the St. Peter's Church Young Men's Club this evening at 8.15 p.m.

Seven robbers, including a woman, armed with pistols and daggers, entered a farmhouse at Lok Ma Chau, New Territories, last week-end and robbed the inmates to the extent of goods worth \$47.

Shun Cheng-tung, the accountant of the Lee Yu Kee hardware shop, No. 40, Queen's-road Central, reported to the police yesterday, that some time between November 24, 1927, and Saturday last, someone stole from shelves in the shop 328 dozen files worth \$999.27. The loss was discovered during stocktaking.

Signor Carpi, the well known organiser and manager of Far-Eastern Opera Companies passed through Hong Kong on Saturday. His latest venture in the theatrical world is "The Parisian Revue," a company of ten variety artists, which will visit the Queen's Theatre during Xmas week.

Mr. R. C. Tredwell, Consul-General for the United States of America, his mother and Mrs. Buxton, returned to the Colony this morning by the s.s. "President Cleveland" from Manila. Mr. Tredwell and Mrs. Buxton were the guests of Governor-General Stimson during their stay in the Philippines.

Only out of prison a month ago, a Chinese was this morning at the Kowloon Magistracy sentenced to undergo a further month's jail for the unlawful possession of a kettle suspected to have been stolen at Yau-mat. Defendant said that he picked it up, and had not stolen it. That it was case of theft by keeping was submitted by Mr. E. W. Hamilton the magistrate.

A Chinese, who was charged with assaulting the master of a shop in Kowloon City was again remanded at the Kowloon Magistracy on Saturday. The affair, it will be recalled, occurred four months ago. Complainant was wounded so seriously on the leg that ultimately he had to be amputated. In reply to the defendant, the Magistrate stated that there would be a serious charge against him should the man die.

The St. Joseph's College Old Boys' Association are holding a concert in the College Hall, Kennedy-road, on Friday, December 14, starting at 5.45 pm.

On account of the continued disposition of Mr. R. El Lindsell, Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones occupied the bench in the First Court at the Central Magistracy to-day.

Sister Davis, of the Government Civil Hospital, reported to the police yesterday that a thief entered her room in the sisters' quarters and stole \$90 in notes.

As the result of falling from a ladder whilst engaged in lime-washing work outside No. 38 Connaught-road Central, yesterday, a contractor's foki was removed to the Government Civil Hospital suffering from a fractured leg.

Lui Tat-hoi, a Chinese merchant living at the Wan Kau boarding house, reported to the police yesterday that a foki, without authority, went to the Wen Tak Cheung Loong firm, collected the sum of \$258.18 in Lui's name, and absconded with the money.

A Chinese woman, living on the second floor of No. 1, South-lane, committed suicide yesterday by hanging herself in her cubicle. The police were informed immediately the tragedy was discovered, and the body was removed to the public mortuary.

A Chinese farmer, aged 21 years, and a native of Mui Yuen was yesterday arrested by the police for the unlawful possession of a Mauser pistol and 100 rounds of ammunition, which were found amongst his luggage on board the s.s. "Liangchow."

Lee Po (60) a contractor's workman fractured his left leg yesterday as the result of falling off a scaffold on which he was working outside a building in Connaught-road Central, near Watson's factory. He was taken to the Government Civil Hospital by the police.

CORRESPONDENCE

THEY WALKED

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—We beg leave to point out an error in your account of our experiences. When we informed you that the fare across the desert of Iraq, by motor-bus, cost £30 per seat, we did not for a moment think you would convey to your readers that we had enjoyed the luxury of that ride. We could not afford to pay and, therefore, took the only alternative—we walked it.

That is, why, as you will see, we were able to establish the fact that we met no other white man during the 18 days' walk, with an occasional lift on a camel's back.

Trusting you will insert the above in case any erroneous impression has been caused.

Yours, etc.,

TULKA KAREL,

FORMANEK JAROSLAV,

of "Press Service," Prague.
Hong Kong, Dec. 10, 1928.

THAT \$1,000 OFFER

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Some time ago there was a letter in your journal which, as I recall, gave the impression of a lie direct to the insinuation that Mrs. Eddy used drugs. Later, as I recall, an officer was made to donate \$1,000 to "any Hong Kong Charity" if the directors in Boston of the so-called "Mother" church made such a denial.

Is there any hope of this? I am one who would like to see the Ministering Children's League benefited by this sum.

Yours, etc.,

HOPEFUL

Hong Kong, Dec. 10, 1928.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—Kindly permit me to refer to the letter from Mr. Henry Japp, which appeared in your issue of Saturday.

I think previous correspondence has made it sufficiently clear that neither the Parent Church nor its proposals have any connection with Christian Science, as founded by Mary Baker Eddy.

The Christian Science organization as founded by Mrs. Eddy is fulfilling its mission of healing the sick and reforming the sinner in strict accordance with the teachings of Jesus Christ. It is not interested in the activities of certain former members who are now engaged in carrying on an aggressive and clamorous opposition.

Yours, etc.,

W. H. ADLER,

Christian Science Committee on Publication.
Hong Kong, Dec. 10, 1928.

QUEEN'S-ROAD CLOCK TOWER

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—The need for an Electric Normal Time Clock Tower at the junction of Queen's-road and Pedder-street is greatly felt. We used to have there formerly two clocks, but both were taken down by their owners when removing.

What is badly needed is the erection of an electric clock in a post in the middle of the street, somewhere near or above the stand of the Traffic Officer, visible from all four crossings.

Queen's-road and Pedder-street corner is, perhaps, or soon will be, the most frequented corner in Hong Kong's business centre, and the erection of a suitable clock there would be of inestimable benefit to the public.

May I use the space of your valued columns to herewith place the above suggestion before the public and the Government Authorities concerned, as well as before the Tai-pan's of our big firms, amongst them the leading firms dealing in Electric Clocks, with the hope that either the one or the other party will take this opportunity of doing an excellent and lasting service to the public of Hong Kong and earn their sincere thanks for it.

Would the erection of such a Clock Tower, say, by one of the leading Firms dealing in Electric Clocks, not serve them as an excellent advertisement for their Clocks and thus more than recompense them for the initial outlay and the small cost of upkeep?

Yours, etc.,

Theosophical Order of Service,
Sub-Dept. City Improvement,
HERBERT E. LANEPARE,
Chief Brother for China.
Hong Kong, Dec. 10, 1928.

THE WATER SHORTAGE

(To the Editor of the "China Mail.")

Sir,—The Colony, as all know, is passing through a period of acute water shortage, yet enormous amounts of valuable water are daily quite unnecessarily wasted away.

I refer to the hundreds of thousands of water taps, a large percentage of which, possibly one third, have become soiled by rust or sand and thus do not shut entirely, unless force is used. As a result, in the total aggregate, an enormous amount of water is day and night left running into the gutters.

It should be possible to prevent this huge wastage by introducing and enforcing by-law of some new type of water tap, which would act automatically and be absolutely fool-proof and shut off the water completely the moment the hand is withdrawn.

By this simple device some 15 to 20 per cent. of our total water consumption could probably be saved, and I believe that herein lies, to a good extent, the way out of our immediate difficulties.

I would be glad if our Water Authorities would give the above their practical consideration.

Yours, etc.,

Theosophical Order of Service,
Sub-Dept. City Improvement,
HERBERT E. LANEPARE,
Chief Brother in China.
Hong Kong, Dec. 10, 1928.

At a London school lately the teacher asked if any of the boys could bring her a nice big bunch of mixed garden flowers for next day's lesson.

Up shot Isaac Hiram's little hand.

"But, Isaac, you haven't got a garden."

"No, please, Miss, but I go round with milk every morning," said the engaging child.

An English Government official was making an inspection of an Indian native prison. To the governor he said later:

"Well, everything seems perfectly satisfactory here. All the prisoners seem contented with the exception of that man whom I spoke to last."

"Ah, yes," said the Indian governor, "that was Lall Din. He is to be hanged to-morrow morning, and he is innocent. I think it rather upsets him."

"Yes," remarked the conceited young visitor, "this is not a bad place. It's a fine big town; there are plenty of jolly girls about, and all that, but there's no aristocracy down here, you know."

"No what?" asked the native of the place.

"Aristocracy. People who have never done anything, and whose parents and grandparents never did anything, you know—whose families have always been people of leisure," explained the young man.

"Ah," said the other, "you're wrong. We've got them down here, but we call 'em tramps."

"AL FRESCO" FETE**BIG ATTENDANCE AT THE R. C. C. COMPOUND****A BUSY DAY**

Held in the compound of the Roman Catholic Cathedral yesterday, the 45th annual "Al Fresco" Fete of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, attracted a large gathering, and brisk business was done from 9.30 a.m. until nearly midnight.

The grounds and booths were prettily decorated with brightly coloured flags, bunting and streamers, which made a pleasing background for the toys and other goods on display on the various stalls.

The whole place was very effectively illuminated at night by thousands of electric bulbs, which gave an attractive brilliance to the scene.

So irresistible was the urge to have a good time, that visitors spent their money willingly and freely, and nowhere did one hear any of the helpers make an appeal to buy in the name of charity.

Every admission ticket entitled its holder to a souvenir of the bazaar, and the Sovereign Stall had a busy time exchanging the bits of paper for pretty and useful articles of appeal to both the children and adults.

The Lotteries
Several lotteries were run the chances in which were sold by businesslike young ladies armed with note books and pencils who mingled with the merry-makers and coaxed many a dollar bill with their appeal to "Buy a chance in the American lottery."

The Chinese Catholic Young Men's Society ran the chequer boards stall, where many were tempted to try their luck and have a shot at the many valuable prizes on display.

Raffles for sweets were run by members of the Catholic Union Club, and several of the lucky visitors went away with large boxes of chocolate tucked under their arms. The raffles also attracted a lot of money.

The Farm Yard was well stocked with hams, sausages, sucking pigs, geese, turkeys, etc., and the raffles run by this department were well patronised.

The "no gambling" stall was the 50-cent stall, where a prize was given for the money handed over, and if one was lucky, he or she received something which was worth much more.

Slices of the lucky cake, everyone of which was guaranteed to hold a souvenir, ranging from sovereigns to 20-cent pieces also found ready buyers, as did the 10-cent stall and the "Hot Dog" stall where the inner man was well catered for with wholesome food.

The motor car raffle was the big attraction of the fete. The draw took place in the presence of a large and expectant crowd. The lucky number is 2466 and the name on the counterfoil is D. Richards, Y.M.C.A., Kowloon.

Members of the Manila Shows assisted the Fete by appearing at the variety entertainment, which lasted throughout the afternoon, with a change of programme every half hour. The concert party of the H.M.S. "Titania" also helped in entertaining.

Tea was provided by Messrs. Lane Crawford's and the Band of the K. O. S. B., under Bandmaster W. H. Fitz-Earle, A.R.C.M., rendered a pleasing selection of music during the afternoon, by kind permission of Lt. Col. Conyn, D.S.O. and officers.

The Helpers.
Some of the many helpers at yesterday's "al fresco" fete were as follows:
Motor Car Draw: Messrs. W.S.V. Curtis, Fred Xavier, L. A. Barton, H. Ammann, M. D. G. Hoare, Fung Kung, H. Hendrickson, Robert Chou, K. Young.

Fancy Articles & Xmas Ornaments: Madame and Miss Corveira de Albuquerque, e Castro, Misses L. and M. Loureiro, M. and C. Ruiz, O. Barretto, E. Souza, L. and C. Noronha.

10 Cents and 50 Cents Stalls: Mr. and Mrs. J. A. V. Ribeiro.
Hot Dog Stall: Mr. J. E. Noronha and friends.

Little Flower Stall: Committee and Members of the Little Flower's Club.
Bank: Messrs. A. A. Alves (Hon. Treasurer), J. M. Alves, W. Beveridge, J. M. S. Rosario, Geo. Vas, A. V. Barros, A. G. D'Aquino, E. Alves.

Souvenir Stall: Mr. & Mrs. J. J. Remedios, Mr. & Mrs. J. E. Rocha, Mr. & Mrs. F. F. Ribeiro, Mrs. Pinheiro d'Almeida, Miss Maria da Rocha, M. S. Maria G. Resurreicao.

Chinese Catholic Young Ladies' Stall: The Committee and members of the Association.
Chinese Catholic Young Men's Stall: Messrs. Tso Chak-yan Chan Kwok-leung, Chan Kwok-chuen, Chan Kwok-yan, Chan Kwok-wah, Chan Shih-hing, Tam Wing-kwong, Lo Pok-wang, Yu Chik-shan, Chu Ping-fai.

Children of Mary's Stall: (Novelty Shop): Misses Rita Xavier, Elsa Carvalho, Lolly Carvalho, Molly d'Almeida, Annie d'Almeida, Phyllis Quincey, Avelina Sousa, Alda Alves, Lenor Xavier, Pura d'Eca, Alice Carvalho, Lena Carvalho.

American Stall: Mr. & Mrs. A. F. Osmund, Misses Elsa

A NEW CHURCH**SALE OF WORK TO RAISE FUNDS****WELCOMING THE STRANGER**

Organised for the purpose of raising funds for the construction of a new church, a sale of work was successfully held on Saturday by the Women's Guild of the Union Church, Kowloon.

Mrs. David Harvey presided in the absence of Mrs. W. Forsyth (President). The sale was a large gathering present for the opening ceremony which was performed by Mrs. C. Gordon Mackie, wife of the Chairman of St. Andrew's Society. She addressed the gathering as follows:

It is more important—determine you accepted, your invitation to come here to-day. I have lately been very much connected with the Scotch Society and so now it is very delightful to be in touch with the Scotch Church in Kowloon.

The Women's Guild is in its first year and was formed with the idea of promoting unity and sociability and also for the financial aid of the church.

The Guild organised a sewing party of which this sale is the outcome, but the idea they had in their minds is a much wider one than the actual sewing—their idea was that all connected with the church should get to know each other better and meet in a social way and again, to welcome newcomers.

Welcoming Strangers
In a community such as this there must be constant coming and going and it is to the new arrivals that the hand of welcome is so valuable. Anyone arriving for the first time from home now to the ways of the East is a very lonely person, and a gathering such as you have on Tuesday mornings I feel sure is a great help, as well as a pleasure, to all who have lately arrived in the Colony, and to others who have few friends.

You have a Visiting Committee in connection with your church who make it their business to get to know of strangers arriving, and they as old members of the church call, and so can introduce them to others, and in that way make them feel at home.

Sir Paul's Generosity
Thanks to the great generosity of the late Sir Paul Chater you are to be enabled to have a new church. The plans, I hear, have left the hands of the architect, and are now under consideration. I hope ere long that your new building will be erected and will be a pleasure to all who worship in it.

Sir Paul was a very old friend of mine, so I feel a most particular interest in coming here to-day.

Long speeches at such a time as this are only a nuisance, and what is more important—determine you from your real object in coming here, namely—buying.

The President
Before closing I should like to refer to the sorrow we all share at the absence of your President. As you know, she had an unfortunate accident a week ago, but I hope she will soon be restored to health and be able to carry on with her good work.

I see so many lovely things displayed here that I feel sure they will be sold in no time. With these few words, and wishing you a great success, I declare the sale open.

The Helpers
At the close of her speech, Mrs. Mackie was presented by Miss Jean Nelson with a bouquet of flowers.

The Church was neatly decorated for the occasion. Stalls were placed in convenient positions. On one side were tables where tea was served.

Among those who took part were: Mrs. Mair and Mrs. Johnston at the sweet stall; Mrs. Gow and Mrs. Johnson at the toy stall; Mrs. Anderson and Mrs. Youngusband at the lavender stall; Mrs. Grey, Mrs. Dick and Mrs. Harvey at the fancy stall; Mrs. Spittles, Miss H. Wyllie and Miss E. Holland at the bran tub; Mrs. Atkinson, Mrs. Wyllie and Mrs. Mackintosh with the tea; Mrs. W. Forsyth, Jr. with the parcels; Mrs. Nelson (hon. secretary); Mrs. Craig (hon. treasurer).

London—Lord Birkenhead has contracted to contribute articles to the weekly journal "Britannia."

Alves, Alda, Horta, Horta, Jorge, A. F. Alves, Lucy Jorge, Ena Danenberg, Katy, Hyndman, Maria Gutierrez, Carmelita Britto, Yolanda Britto, Olinda Remedios, Emma Remedios, Cissy Castro, Alves, Cissy Xavier, Mercedes Xavier, Kiny Barretto, D. Godelro, G. Remedios, Delinda Lopes, Hatty Noronha, Mimie Noronha, Messrs. J. M. R. Xavier, L. C. Xavier, J. C. Barretto, D. P. Lopes, G. V. Osmund, H. A. de Figueiredo, F. N. da Cunha, D. C. R. X. da Rôza, Messrs. A. S. da Rôza, D. C. Baptista, S. Danenberg, A. Gosano, F. Marques.

Farmyard: Mr. D. W. Bradbury and friends.

"BARBED WIRE"**COMING TO THE QUEEN'S THEATRE****A PART FOR POLA**

Adapted from Hall Gaine's famous novel, "The Woman of Knockaloe," "Barbed Wire," a most unusual picture, will be screened at the Queen's Theatre from Thursday to Saturday next, according to a special advertisement in this issue.

Pola Negri, the greatest emotional actress of the screen, has a role that permits her to give full swing to her acting power. She plays the part of Mona, a Normandy farm girl, who in spite of her bitter hatred of war-time Germany and its people, falls in love with a German prisoner in a French camp near her home. The entanglements caused by this dangerous situation supply the picture with many thrilling and dramatic incidents which end in a remarkable denouement. Although, in itself, a picture of war, only brief flashes of conflict, are given; the story itself being a tense drama of a great love far behind the lines.

Clive Brook and Einar Hanson appear in the large supporting cast which also has Clyde Cook who supplies excellent comic relief.

Altogether, it may be said that "Barbed Wire" is quite the most unusual story ever to be filmed and critics generally have described it as being a remarkable picture in many ways.

MANILA SHOWS**STARTING HALF AN HOUR EARLIER****ANOTHER FULL HOUSE**

The Manila Shows performed again last night to a full attendance, and it is not too early to state that this company will enjoy one of the best seasons that any amusement organization has ever had in the Colony.

The amusements offered are clean in every respect and there is nothing to offend. It is attractions like the Manila Shows that are welcomed in Hong Kong and they will find another hearty welcome any time they return. Hong Kong has the name of being somewhat hard to please and it is true that many companies have not done the business they expected when they visited these parts. However if there are the right attractions business will be as good for companies visit here as it is in any other port in the Orient.

Last night several new features were added to the shows, a clever Chinese company furnishing acts on a stage erected in the grounds. The acts were very well and were appreciated by all. The show was free; that is, there was no additional charge for people who had entered the gate.

To-night Joe Peters will do a giant swing on a trapeze 50 feet high. This act is very thrilling and will also be seen as a free act.

Yesterday at the Charity bazaar "Honolulu Charlie," who is the owner of the Hula Hula show with the Manila Shows, put on a very nice little musical and singing number while Peters, as a clown, did some eccentric dancing and comedy stuff. The numbers were enjoyed by all and it was generous of the men to volunteer their services.

The Manila Shows, advertised to open at 6 p.m. every night, will open at 5.30 to give a chance for families and children to visit the grounds and enjoy the fun before the big crowds of the evening, for thus far the grounds have been so packed at 8 o'clock that the children do not get a chance to enjoy the shows. This condition will probably change after shows have been here a couple of weeks.

MAJESTIC THEATRE
NEW NATHAN RD. CINEMA OPENED

The Majestic Theatre, in Nathan Road, Kowloon, was opened on Saturday afternoon. A large number of people attended the performances.

The theatre has accommodation for a thousand people, the front stalls and first-class seating six hundred.

The theatre is devoid of elaborate decoration, but pleasing to the eye. It has a large stage with a deep platform and the requisite exits.

A comedy featuring Mary Brian was shown at the first performance, and "Ben Hur," with Ramon Nayar and May McAvoy in the leading roles, was screened at the others.

Special music was provided at 9.15. "Ben Hur" is to be shown until to-morrow, when a new programme will be presented.

Socialists are opposing the plans of the London County Council to enter into an agreement with the London Traffic Combine for the organisation of London transport services, so that there may be a unified control of all London passenger services—tramway cars, omnibuses, tubes, and suburban railways.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE**TRAGIC EXPERIENCES OF ANTAGONISM****THE MEDICAL PROFESSION**

The progressive movement in Christian Science, represented by The Christian Science Parent Church, recognises the tragic experiences which continually occur because of the uncompromising attitude of antagonism assumed by many well-meaning Christian Scientists toward the medical profession, states the October issue of the "Christian Science Watchman," reproducing an article by Mr. J. V. Dittmore which appeared in the "Guardian" (London) the official organ of the Church of England. Spiritual healing is founded upon the premise that all physical infirmities may eventually be overcome by mental means when the Christian metaphysical understanding sufficiently the *modus operandi* of the true prayer. The Scriptural records presents the ultimate ideal toward which every sincere Christian must look with faith and hope. That humanity must some time achieve this ideal cannot be doubted without doubting the validity of God's word.

In the present transitional stage of world thought there can be no reasonable doubt that both sanity and Science justify the course of supplementing the purely spiritual means of healing by the medical method when health has not been restored with reasonable promptness. Thus the general faith and hope of recovery of mankind is transmitted to the individual patient through the medium of the medical agency believed to be the specific remedy for any given ailment. In so far as healing within the Anglican Communion is concerned, a normally minded Christian Scientist should be as grateful for the experimental research of the Committee on the Ministry of Healing, to the extent that it may lead toward a general public recognition of a mighty possibility for our race, as a truly unselfish physicist or chemist would be for the helpful laboratory tests of a scientist of a different school of experiment.

LESSON SERMON**FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONG KONG**

"God the only Cause and the Creator" was the subject in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, on Sunday, December 9.

The Golden Text was, "Thus saith the Lord that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee, by thy name: thou art mine" (Isaiah 43: 1).

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible: "Thus saith the Lord, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me. I have made the earth, and created men upon it: I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded." For thus saith the Lord that created the heavens; God himself that formed it to be inhabited: I am the Lord; and there is none else (Isa. 45: 11, 12, 13).

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passages from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy: "The foundation of mortal discord is a false sense of man's origin." To begin rightly is to end rightly. Every concept which seems to begin with the brain begins falsely. Divine Mind is the only cause or Principle of existence. Cause does not exist in matter, in mortal mind, or in physical forms" (p. 202).

NOTICES**AVISO.**

O Consul Geral de Portugal desajando comunicar a Comunidade Portuguesa de Hong Kong assuntos importantes, roga a todos os Portugueses residentes nesta Colonia o favor de comparecerem na Sala Luiz de Camoes do Club Lusitano, Quinta-feira, 13 de Dezembro, pelas 9 horas da tarde.

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QUEEN'S**THEATRE**

SHOWING AGAIN
By POPULAR DEMAND!
CECIL B. DE MILLES'
Superb Dramatic Production
THE
KING OF KINGS
TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY
Three Performances Daily
At 2.30, 6.00 and 9.15.
Advance Booking Now Open.

During the last few weeks armed robberies have frequently occurred in the New Territories, the latest of which was reported yesterday evening. Five men, three of whom were armed with revolvers, broke into a matchbox at Shatin occupied by two women, aged 31 and 22, respectively, and a market gardener.

The real motive of the robbery, it would appear, was kidnapping, as after taking money and valuables, to the extent of \$7, the men took away with them a boy of eight years and a girl of four. So far, no arrests have been made nor have the whereabouts of the children been traced.

At the end of the thirteenth round the badly bruised boxer told his second that he could go on no longer. The second objected.

"But," sadly pleaded the boxer, "I can hardly see 'im."

"Never mind about that," said the second, excitedly, "carry on, 'it 'im' from memory."

BROWN OF HARVARD**A CLEAN, HEALTHY PICTURE OF COLLEGE LIFE****AT THE WORLD**

Portraying William Haines in a characteristic role, in which many views of the great American university of Harvard is shown, "Brown of Harvard" will terminate its run at the World Theatre to-day. Cheeky, egotistic, yet likeable, Brown is presented amid varied scenes including a great boat race, and an equally thrilling football match. These are the big features of the picture.

Mary Brian, heroine of the piece, enacts her part with much credit, while Jack Pickford has a delicate role to play. The picture is a clean, healthy story, well worth seeing. It makes a fine evening's entertainment.

H.M.I. CONCERT**DELIGHTFUL PROGRAMME ARRANGED**

An excellent programme has been arranged for the next fortnightly concert of the Helena May Institute, fixed for Thursday, Dec. 13.

Mrs. Hargreaves-Browne will contribute the Children's Corner by C. Debussy (a) Little Shepherd and (c) Valse de la Poupée, as the opening item. She will appear again later in the programme when her offerings will be Handel's Gavotte Variés and C. Debussy's Collonges Cakewalk.

Mrs. Bellamy will present R. Quilter's "The Lamplighter" and "Where Go the Bells," H. Fraser Simpson's "Before Tea," Charles V. Stanford's "Two Little Sisters" and "Little Snow Drop," and Liza Lehman's "There are Fairies at the Bottom of the Garden."

Twelve little children will take part in C. C. Daley's French Nursery Rhymes (a) "La Mère Michel," (b) "L'agneau tout blanc," (c) "Sur le Pont d'Aignon," (d) "Petit Tambour," and (e) "En passant par la Lorraine."

The young performers will be Jacqueline and Jill Hargreaves-Browne, Sylvia and Mary Pethwick, Victor and Betty Comyn, Roseline and Andrew Kinloch, Pauline Wolfe-Murray, Yvonne Davenport-Browne, Betty Richards, and Marguerite MacElderry.

Pieces by A. A. Milne will be offered by Miss Acheson as follows:—King John's Xmas, Puppy and I, Lines and Squares, The Three Foxes, Us Two and The Little Black Hen.

The singers will be accompanied on the piano by Mr. F. Mason, A.R.C.O., L.T.O.L.

The engagement is announced of William Stanley Robinson, of Temiang Renchong Estate, Muar, Johore, son of the late Major J. E. Robinson, and Mrs. Jefferson, and Joan Cazenove, younger daughter of the late A. W. Lawford and Mrs. Lawford, of Bronte Cottage, Lymington, Devon.

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ANNUAL MEETING OF THE
HELENA MAY INSTITUTE

THE YEAR'S ACTIVITIES

There was a fair attendance of ladies at the annual general meeting of the Helena May Institute which was held at the institute building in Garden-road on Saturday.

Mrs. W. T. Southern (President) was in the chair, and was supported by Mrs. E. D. C. Wolfe, M.B.E., (Vice-President).

The report for the year from Sept. 1, 1927 to August 31, 1928, stated, inter alia:—

Membership numbered 400, of which 144 were new members enrolled during the period under review. Some members, Naval or Military, joined for short periods of three months and many of these continued their membership upon their return to the Colony. These have, however, not been included in the grand total.

Secretary's Help.

During the year the secretary has rendered all the assistance possible to children's nurses and others desiring employment, by putting them in touch with suitable people.

All the upper floors of the building have been re-decorated, furniture has been re-upholstered and mahoganyed, and a new boiler has been installed for heating purposes. The installation of an extra fire escape is being proceeded with.

Rooms for residents have been all occupied during the year, but travellers' rooms have occasionally been empty. The number of residents throughout the period was 16, and 81 travellers found accommodation at the institute.

Musicals & Lectures

Eight business girls had tiffin at the institute during the year. The rest of the catering comprised meals for residents and teas at socials, etc. The number of teas served on such occasions varied from 80 to 150.

The Musicals held from October to March have been most successful and a very high standard of music was maintained. The last concert was attended by over 200 people.

Lectures at the institute have also been well attended and papers on various subjects, such as "Stars," "Aviation," "Japanese Flower Placing," etc., were greatly appreciated. Thanks are due to the various organisers of concerts, performers and lecturers.

The social rooms of the institute have been in much demand for the holding of regular meetings of the Mothers' Union, Benevolent Society, Y.M.C.A. Canteen, Police Women's sewing parties, Naval and Military

dances in the winter, St. Andrew's Reed Club practices, the Art Club, classes in children's dancing, country dancing, gymnastics, Chinese and Japanese flower placing.

Two New Pianos

Occasionally the rooms have also been used for whist drives and sales of work, meetings of the Victoria Diocesan Association, the Missionary Association, Ladies' section of the Golf Club, Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club, St. Peter's Sewing Guild, the Girl Guides and M.C.C. gatherings.

The staff, under the able direction of Miss Stoddart, has worked satisfactorily throughout the year. Miss Stoddart has been offered a yearly agreement.

A new baby grand piano had been purchased for the social room, also a new upright piano for the dining room.

Papers for Servicemen

Many new books have been added to the library. In this connection, special mention was made of Mrs. Jackson who had been an indefatigable worker for the library. She had been Hon. Librarian since 1924 and had served on the Committee for some years before that date. It will be difficult to replace her.

The reading room has been well stocked with papers and magazines, purchase of which has been justified by the number visiting the reading room. Several parcels of old periodicals have been sent to the Naval and Military Canteen.

The report also expressed gratitude to various missionaries who took the Friday morning Christian Fellowship Meetings which have been very helpful to many.

£140 to Ross Institute.

Mrs. Southern supplemented the report by making special mention of the international bridge and mah jong parties which were held at the institute. These had enabled her to send £140 to the Ross Institute and, Mrs. Southern announced, she had just received a telegram expressing appreciation of the contribution.

Proceeding, Mrs. Southern said that these international parties have been an excellent departure and they hoped next year to develop the international side. The Institute wished to become the headquarters of the ladies of Hong Kong of all nationalities and she hoped that members would do their best to make the institute the meeting place of the women of Hong Kong.

Reference was also made by Mrs. Southern to the Secretary who has been a success in every way, and has worked untiringly to develop the Helena May Institute.

On the proposal of Mrs. Wolfe, the statement of accounts was taken as read.

Mrs. Wolfe pointed out that the only matter deserving special men-

tion with regard to the accounts was that whereas they had a building depreciation fund, there was no reserve fund for re-building. She promised that this would be looked into during the ensuing year. The auctioning of old periodicals was then proceeded with, after which the meeting terminated.

YEN HSI-SHAN

Peking, Saturday.

General Yen Hsi-shan gave up his original intention to travel to Nanking by rail on account of the bandit trouble in North Honan.

He arrived in Tientsin this morning and boarded a Japanese steamer for Shanghai this evening.—Reuter.

Dr. H. B. Dadds has been posted to Sungi Patani as acting Health Officer, Kedah, in place of Dr. J. L. Bazea, who has assumed duties as State Surgeon, Kedah, the appointment recently held by Dr. D. Bridges, who has gone on leave.

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Sport Columns

WEEK-END SPORT

BEDFS. & HERTS. MEET SOUTH CHINA

CHINESE IN SCORING MOOD

With the object of ascertaining if there is any talent for the Army XI to meet the Chinese XI in the final of the Lai Wah Cup and other matches, the South China Command Sports Board arranged a very interesting match at Sookumpoo yesterday. There was quite a large crowd present to see South China in goal scoring form but the 1st Batt. Bedfordshire & Hertfordshire Regiment, although considerably slower, played good football up to a point. The teams were:—

1st Batt. Bedfs. Threlkeld, Attenboro, Thompson, Mott, Wallis, Hughes, Cross, Berry, Conquest, Wiseman, Wrester.

South China A.A.: Pau Ka-ping, Chan So, Lau Kau, Leung Wing-tak, Pang Wa-hing, Leung Wing-chiu, Lai Tin-choy, Pau Ka-chuen, Fung King-cheung, Lau Mau, Ip Pak-wa.

Gee (the Army outside left) and Li Tin-sang (South China's full back) were the only absentees.

South China were much quicker than the soldiers and Lau Mau and Fung King-cheung from a penalty gave the visitors the lead at half-time.

Despite many likely raids by the Battalion team, the finishing was poor and Pau Ka-ping, in goal, dealt easily with many well directed shots.

Pau Ka-chuen added two goals for South China in the second half, both being quite good efforts. Pang Wa-hing was injured in the face and retired.

Teams Compared

The Bedfordshire goalie, Mott, gave a good display. He has done good work in soccer in Shanghai.

The Battalion appear to have a very useful side. Conquest, Wrester and Cross were very useful at times.

It was disappointing that Gee did not turn up as he, like his clubmate, Mott, are probable starters for honours in some of the representative matches.

The halves were a hard working trio and Attenboro did many good things. Wallis and Hughes were quite useful backs.

South China were much quicker. Fung King-cheung and Ip Pak-wa did some clever things and the forward line was very nippy. Pang Wa-hing was very lively in a good half-back line, but the backs had many kicks charged down, and on occasions, were shaky.

Pau Ka-ping, in goal, however, retrieved all situations. The game was fought in good spirit at a fast pace and both teams looked all in at the finish.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Eight League matches were played on Saturday, the feature being the Police's holding Chinese Athletic (last season's champions) to a draw, the Borderers' defeat of Recreation, and the overwhelming "double" of Royal Navy over Small Units. Scores at a glance:—

Division I.	
Chinese Ath. ... 1	Police R.C. ... 1
C. de Recreation ... 1	2nd K.O.S.B. ... 4
Royal Navy ... 6	Small Units ... 0
Division II.	
Chinese Ath. ... 0	2nd K.O.S.B. ... 1
Kowloon F.C. ... 0	C. de Recreation ... 0
S. China "A" ... 0	St. Joseph's C. ... 4
Royal Navy ... 0	Small Units ... 0
S. China "B" ... 1	Eastern F.C. ... 4

ATHLETIC v. POLICE

On the H.K.F.C. ground at Happy Valley, Chinese Athletic

LAWN TENNIS

SERVICES OVERWHELM CRAIGENGOWER

8-MATCHES TO ONE

The Craigengower Club lost to the United Services Recreation Club yesterday on C.C.C. courts by 8 matches to 1.

Scores were:—

H. D. Rumjahn and S. A. Rumjahn (C.C.C.)	lost to Major R. H. Lucas and Dr. R. E. Tottenham ... 3-6, 6-3, 1-3
beat F. A. Redmond and Lt. J. Hale ... 5-7, 6-1, 6-3	
lost to J. H. McEachran and L. Goldmann ... 2-6, 3-6	
J. A. Cassumbhoy and L. M. Razack (C.C.C.)	lost to Major R. H. Lucas and Dr. R. E. Tottenham ... 2-6, 2-6
lost to F. A. Redmond and Lt. J. Hale ... 4-6, 1-6	
lost to J. S. McEachran and L. Goldmann ... 2-6, 3-6	
W. J. Howard and G. Lai (C.C.C.)	lost to Major R. H. Lucas and Dr. R. E. Tottenham ... 1-6, 3-6
lost to F. A. Redmond and Lt. J. Hale ... 10-12, 3-6	
lost to J. S. McEachran and L. Goldmann ... 1-6, 0-6	

K.C.C. v. G.T.C.

Kowloon Cricket Club beat the German Tennis Club yesterday by 69 games to 30. Scores:—

E. Abraham and C. H. Atkins (K.C.C.)	beat H. Ammann and O. May ... 6-5
beat B. Schroeter and G. V. Ehren ... 6-5	
lost to E. Dillner and B. Soltan ... 5-6	
E. C. Fincher and L. Jack (K.C.C.)	beat Ammann and May ... 9-2
beat Schroeter and Ehren ... 8-3	
beat Dillner and Soltan ... 9-2	
P. M. Pinguet and A. E. Guest (K.C.C.)	beat Ammann and May ... 8-3
beat Schroeter and Ehren ... 11-0	
beat Dillner and Soltan ... 7-4	

Totals: K.C.C. 69; German Tennis Club, 30.

MIXED DOUBLES

The semi-final round of the open mixed doubles championship are to be played at the Chinese R.C. on Saturday. The first match will be: Mrs. Tottenham and Dr. Tottenham v. Mrs. Hale and Lt. Hale, and the second Miss Enid Lo and M. W. Lo v. Mrs. Miles and H. Owen Hughes.

and the Police played a hard match to share the points. The game was interesting but not brilliant, the clever forwards of the Athletic being held by a powerful defence. Teams:—

Chinese Athletic:—Yik Chan-ping; Ng Kam-chuen, Lai Yuk-tat; Leung Yuk-tong; Wong Shui-wa, Lam Yuk-ying; Tso Kwai-shing, Li Wai-kuon, Wong Pak-chong, Suen Kam-shun, Chan Kwong-ju.

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YACHT CLUB

ST. GEORGE'S v. ST. ANDREW'S SOCIETY

SAILING AND LAWN BOWLS

Two annual contests between the St. George's and St. Andrew's Societies of Hong Kong were decided yesterday at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club, the Sassenachs winning in both, as follows:—

Sailing match:—St. George's 81 points, St. Andrew's 77.

Lawn bowls match:—St. George's 44 shots, St. Andrew's 37.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government (the Hon. Mr. W. T. Southorn, C.M.G.) took part in the bowls match and Mrs. Southorn was a spectator.

SAILING

Officer of the Day: Mr. F. D. Tracy.

Timekeeper: Yeoman of Signals S. J. Swetland, R.N.

Result of morning's race:—

Yacht	Helmsman	Pts.
Why Wonder (8)	Mr. H. S. Rouse	10
Bluenose (4)	Mr. Vernal	9
Speedwell (17)	Mr. Pearce	5
Lola (5)	Major Miles	3
Gael (11)	Mr. Gandy	2
Thecla (10)	Mr. Stewart	3

Result of afternoon's race:—

Yacht	Helmsman	Pts.
Wings (1)	Mr. Shields	13
Boojum (9)	Mr. Marshall	7
Adams (7)	Mr. Payton Reid	6
Zephyr (12)	Mr. Scott Elliott	1
Pierrette (2)	Mr. Sutherland	11
Jon (1)	Mr. Stewart	13
Bluenose (3)	Mr. Scott Elliott	10
Speedwell (10)	Mr. Payton Reid	8
Lola (8)	Mr. Marshall	2
Gael (11)	Mr. Nicholson	7
Thecla (6)	Mr. Shields	7

Totals: St. George's 37 and 44=81. St. Andrew's 42 and 35=77.

LAWN BOWLS

The lawn bowls match, on two links, resulted:—

St. George's	St. Andrew's
Mr. S. Deacon	Mr. D. Harvey
Mr. J. Bentley	The Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie
Mr. E. W. Carpenter	Mr. D. McLeod
Mr. L. J. Davies	Mr. Drummond
(skip) ... 30	(skip) ... 18
Capt. A. J. L. Whyte (A.P.C.)	Mr. Bonnar
The Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes	Mr. McLay
H.E. the Officer Administering the Government	Mr. B. Wylie
Dr. J. L. Shell-shear	(skip) ... 14
(skip) ... 14	(skip) ... 19

Total 44 Total 37

The Presentation In asking the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, to hand the flag of St. Andrew's Society to Mr. C. G. Alabaster, O.B.E., K.C. (Past President of St. George's, acting in the absence of Lt. Col. L. G. Bird, D.S.O., President) Mr. A. L. Shields (Commodore of the Club) congratulated

Handicap Class—[Start 2.25 p.m.]			
	Finishing	Corrected	Points to Date
Rolla (2nd)	4.05.47	4.05.47	19
Colleen (1st)	4.08.29	4.08.31	17
La-Linda (3rd)	4.10.21	4.06.48	21
Dorothea (4th)	4.15.53	4.10.55	12
Diana (5th)	4.16.05	4.18.57	9
Combined (Gaelic & One Design) Class—[Start 2.30 p.m.]			
Allen (1st)	4.35.44	4.35.44	16
Daphne (4th)	4.40.15	4.40.15	16
Joan (2nd)	4.43.58	4.38.10	13
Gael (3rd)	4.45.13	4.38.50	13
Pierrette (5th)	4.45.32	4.41.59	12
Thecla (6th)	4.50.59	4.49.54	21
Heyward Heys Class—[Start 2.35 p.m.]			
Boojum (1st)	4.42.46	4.42.46	20
Speedwell (2nd)	4.43.31	4.43.31	18
Bluenose (3rd)	4.47.43	4.47.43	14
Wings (4th)	4.50.11	4.50.11	23
Why Wonder? (5th)	4.50.45	4.50.45	9
Zephyr (6th)	4.55.55	4.50.15	18
Lola (7th)	5.05.22	4.59.42	11

SPORTS CABLES

GREYHOUND RACING CHANGES

NEW CLOSE SEASON

London, Dec. 1. At a meeting of the new Stewards of the Greyhound Racing Club, namely Koch, Sawtell and Lawrence, the former was appointed senior steward.

The meeting suspended rule 122 which imposes a three months close season from December 1 and it is understood the new close season will be January to March.

HOME RUGBY

London, Dec. 1.

The following were the chief Rugby match results to-day. Blackheath 14, Moseley 11.

Guys 13, Old Leysians 0. Harlequins 17, Leicester 5. Cambridge 30, O. M. Ts 3.

At the first Rugby trial match Whites beat Colours 26 to 9. Six thousand people were present to watch the game.

OXFORD WIN RELAY RACES

London, Dec. 1.

In the Inter-Varsity relay races to-day Oxford beat Cambridge by four events to three.

St. George's Society on winning the sailing by four points. He remarked that last year it was the other way round, and they were glad to know that the annual competitions were not one-sided. He also congratulated them on winning the bowls.

After receiving the flag, Mr. Alabaster expressed regret at the absence of Lt. Col. Bird, and said he would be glad to tell the President that St. George's flag was at the top of the mast.

Mrs. Mackie then presented silver spoons to the winning bowlers, after which three cheers were given for St. George's Society on the call of Mr. Shields, and cheers were also given for the losers on the call of Mr. Alabaster.

4TH CHAMPIONSHIP

Points gained to date by the boats in the three racing classes, of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club are given below. From this it will be seen that the respective leaders were all beaten on Saturday, in the fourth race of the championship but still retain their advantage.

Saturday's race was over a course of 8.5 miles, as follows:—start at the Club, to Lyemum beacon (port), East Rock buoy (starboard), Channel Rocks (s), finish at the Club.

Eighteen yachts took part. The Three Classes.

In the Handicap class, Rolla crossed the line first but failed to save her time on Colleen. La Linda, finishing third, is top with 21 points.

Allas was first to complete the course in the Combined class and retained her place on corrected time. Thecla, the leader, was last of six.

Four of five "scratch" boats in the Heyward Heys class saved their time, Boojum winning. Wings took fourth place and is still three points so the good over Saturday's winner.

In the tabulated results below, yachts are set down in order of actual finishing. Positions gained on handicap (i.e., according to corrected time) are mentioned in brackets.

EXCHANGES.

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On demand	1247 1/2
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On demand	—
On New York—	
On demand	48 1/2
Credits, 60 days' sight	50 1/2
On Bombay—	
Wire	133 1/2
On Calcutta—	
Wire	133 1/2
On demand	133 1/2
On Singapore—	
On demand	86 1/2
On Manila—	
On demand	98 1/2
On Shanghai—	
On demand	77 1/2
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On Yokohama—	
On demand	100
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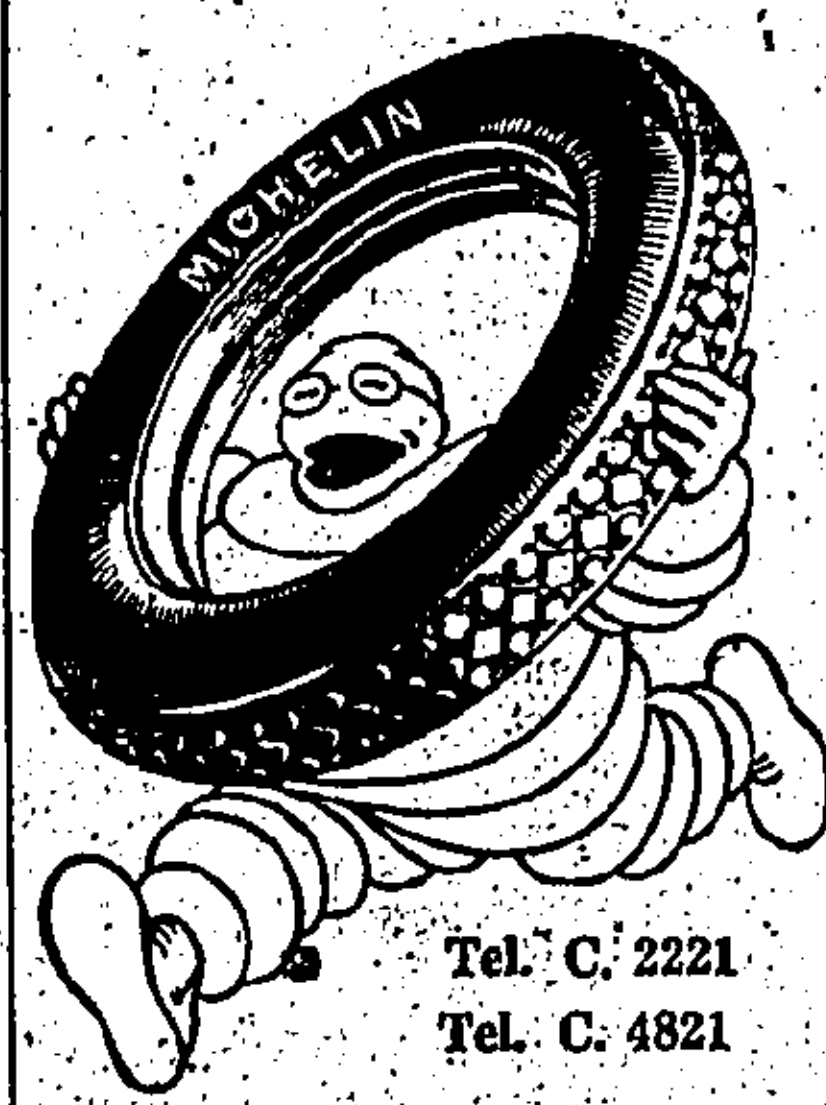
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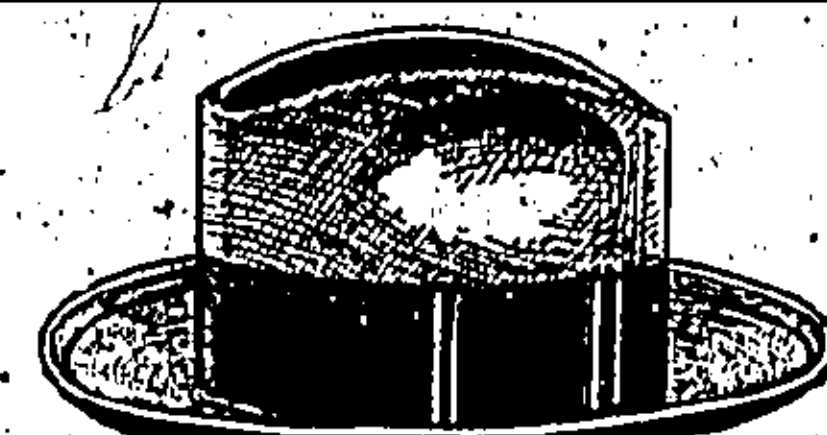
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WEEK-END SPORT

(Continued from Page 9.)

Police: — Clarke, Wynne, Williams; Brittain, Hudson, Jessop, Johnson, McGreavey, Fraser, Oram, Sheppard.

Referee: — C.P.O. Cowan, R.N. The Athletic were, nearly through after the kick-off but Suen Kam-shun just missed a big chance.

Police tried hard to shake off the determined attack which the Athletic set up, but although Oram was once nearly through the Athletic were a big force in the early stages, and Clarke made a rattling save right under the bar.

Blank First Half Johnson, who was in Pile's place, was slow and an opening for the Police was lost.

The Athletic were superior, but their old-time dash was lacking. Good work by Fraser and McGreavey followed, but the Police wingers were slow.

The teams were level at the interval, no goal having been scored.

The second half opened sensationally. The speedy Tso Kwai-shing eluded Williams and centred nicely. The Police defence was in a tangle and Brittain had the misfortune to put the ball through his own goal.

With this early lead, Chinese Athletic looked good winners; they played brightly, but McGreavey and Fraser kept pegging steadily away, and Jessop and Wynne were not giving the opposing forwards much rope.

Surprise Equaliser Suen Kam-shun was strangely quiet. He changed to centre-forward. Real danger came from Chan Kwong-ju, the little left-winger, who was playing at the top of his form; and Clarke saved in rapid succession from his splendid centres.

Police delighted their supporters with a surprise goal. Following hot exchanges in the Athletic area, Johnson hooked an overhead shot into the net, surprising the Athletic goalie and the large crowd.

Police now held their opponents. Although Suen Kam-shun made a great attempt in the last few minutes, and Tso Kwai-shing and Chan Kwong-ju both nearly pierced the Police defence, Clarke emerged each time with the ball and the final whistle blew with honours even.

The match was not a great one. The fire usually associated with the Athletic matches was missing; and it appeared as if one or two of the Athletic defence tired. Yik Chan-pong did not have much to do in goal. Lai Yuk-fat played a fine game at back and was better than his partner.

The Athletic halves did not feed as usual although they played a hard game. Chan Kwong-ju was easily the best forward on the field. Suen Kam-shun was quiet and only occasionally did one get a flash of his old style—but Wynne was ever watchful. Tso Kwai-shing was very good at outside-right.

Police Did Well. Howarth were greatly missed, and Oram and McGreavey, really halves, did well in the van, proving to be the best forwards on their side, keeping cool throughout. Police were strong in defence where all did well. Williams made a stout defender and fitted in well with Wynne, who is at present playing up to interpret form. The halves were workers if at times a bit unpolished. Clarke delighted with one or two first-class saves.

RECREIO v. K.O.S.B.

A very hard and keen game was witnessed by a good crowd of spectators who saw the home team lose by 1-4. Recreio were considerably weakened by the absence of Gosano, who is still unfit to play. Their forward line missed him and the goalkeeper of the K.O.S.B. had a comparatively easy time. The infantrymen fielded their regular side. Teams:—

Club de Recreio: — Beltrao, Silva Netto, Xavier, A. Remedios, F. Remedios, Victor, Oliveira, Ward, Pereira, Rocha, Brown. 2nd Batt. K.O.S.B.: — McDougall, Harris, Martin, Everest, Davey, Skiggs, Torrie, Stock, Reeves, McGlinchey, Alexander.

Referee: Bandmen Kerslake. A forward movement by the K.O.S.B. gave Recreio's backs plenty of hard work. The latter cleared, but Davey pushed the ball to Stock who gave Beltrao no chance and scored the opening goal with a beautiful first-time shot.

Recreio took the ball up the field but found Everest too good. Everest put the ball down to his forwards and McGlinchey passed to Reeves who sent a terrific shot well over the bar.

Recreio took possession and managed to force a corner, which they failed to convert.

Reeves' First. The K.O.S.B. got away again

and Beltrao saved a fine shot from Stock. Davey took possession and sent in a terrific shot from about 40 yards out.

Beltrao again cleared well, just managing to tip the ball over. The K.O.S.B. were pressing hard and McGlinchey pushed a lovely pass forward to Stock who sent in a shot. Beltrao fumbled and Reeves rushed in to put the K.O.S.B. two goals up.

Recreio pressed hard and scored from what appeared to be a misunderstanding on the part of the K.O.S.B. backs. Rocha seized the ball and put it in just out of reach of McDougall.

Some very keen play was then witnessed in midfield, Everest playing well.

Half-time came with the K.O.S.B. leading by 2-1.

Missed a Penalty. The K.O.S.B. attacked after the interval and Reeves scored again from about five yards out.

Play for a time after this was down in Recreio's territory and Xavier was very hard worked. Everest played hard, feeding his forward line well. Torrie was playing a good game on the right wing. McGlinchey passed the ball out to Alexander, on the left wing, and the latter scored the fourth goal with a lovely shot.

The K.O.S.B. were awarded a penalty for a foul in the penalty area. Beltrao cleared well from Reeves.

Recreio tried hard to score but were rather weak in the forward line. The K.O.S.B. pressed hard and were playing well but the final whistle blew with no further score.

Those Who Shone. For the Recreio, Rocha played well but was handicapped by the absence of Gosano. Of the halves, A. Remedios and F. Remedios showed up well. Xavier was the best of the backs.

In the K.O.S.B. front line Reeves shone, and was a very deadly shot in front of goal. Torrie, on the right wing, is settling down and should do well. Everest was again the outstanding player in the half-back line. He played splendidly and was always safe and feeding his forwards.

The K.O.S.B. were decidedly the better team on the day's play.

ROYAL NAVY v. SMALL UNITS

The following teams lined out at Caroline Hill before a small attendance:—

Royal Navy: — Brockman, Cope, Baker, Chauner, Farlowe, Moss, Sadler, Kernick, Evans, Sorby, Bowles.

Small Units: — Watson, Smith, Corbett, Lyons, Skinner, Morgan, Dodshon, Jenkins, Basham, Coates, Wilson.

Referee: — Mr. F. Smith. The sailors had a field day, and pierced the soldiers' citadel thrice in each half.

Kernick got through in the first minute, the Navy sharp-shooter scoring a lovely goal with a shot which left Watson helpless.

Small Units attacked. Coates' shot was deflected by Brockman, the Navy defence being sound.

Navy again took up the running. Farlowe scoring with a nice drive well placed.

Small Units attacked through Dodshon and Jenkins, and were unlucky when Chauner cleared on the goal line with the Naval defence well beaten.

Evans Gets Four. Immediately after this relief, Evans netted for Royal Navy with a fine effort.

Royal Navy were inclined to take things easily in the second half and nippy play by Basham and Coates fully extended the defence.

Evans got through again for the R.N. and the centre forward, who was playing in great form, shortly afterwards completed his hat-trick.

Small Units were playing without luck against a good side and efforts by Basham and Jenkins were of no avail.

Evans added the last goal and made his "bag" four.

Soldiers Out of Luck. Small Units were out of luck. Also, they were up against a very smart Naval side, Evans leading a good attack and showing his abilities as a scorer.

Sadler and Kernick were very smart on the right. Farlowe, Baker and Brockman were good defenders.

For the Army men Watson had a busy day and saved well on occasions. Smith and Morgan defended well. Dodshon, Basham and Coates were bright forwards but could not drive home their attacks. The score slightly flattered the Royal Navy but the latter played a very strong game all round.

ATHLETIC v. K.O.S.B.

On the Club ground, there was a fine crowd present when these old rivals—the reserves XI's of Chinese Athletic and the 2nd Batt. K.O.S.B.—lined out.

Following some bright attacking by Li Fong at outside-left

for Athletic, Martin made a good clearance.

The teams were very evenly matched in the first half although Stevens and Toal came very near to scoring for the soldiers.

Mak Kwok-tung missed close in for Chinese Athletic and the teams crossed over with a blank score sheet.

The Borderers pressed on the restart but Chang was keeping a safe goal and Lo Wai-man was kicking with power in the Athletic defence.

Crawley received a nasty shaking and retired temporarily, but resumed.

Better Team Wins. The Borderers, by good football, scored when Toal completed a fine forward move.

The Athletic were well held and Chang had to make many fine clearances. The Borderers were superior and a smart piece of defensive work by the Athletic goalie was deservedly applauded.

The Borderers ran out winners by a solitary goal and were better all round, their forward play being more decisive.

For the Athletic, Chang (in goal), Lo Wai-man, Ng, Sze, Mak Kwok-tung and Li Fong played well, while the Borderers were well served by Fox, Martin, Drury, Crawley, Toal and Stevens.

CUP FOOTBALL

SATURDAY'S 2ND ROUND RESULTS

LEAGUE MATCHES

London, Saturday.
Carlisle 0, Lincoln 1.
Tranmere 0, Bradford C. 1.
Wigan 2, Grantham 1.
Accrington 7, Spennymoor 0.
Scarbro' 2, Darlington 2.
Gainsbro' 2, Chesterfield 3.
Barrow 1, Mansfield 2.
Stockport 3, Southport 0.
Northfleet 1, Charlton 5.
Crystal P. 3, Bristol R. 1.
Watford 2, Morthayr 0.
Brentford 0, Plymouth 1.
Norwich 6, Newport 0.
Torquay 0, Exeter 1.
Fulham 0, Luton 0.
Walsall 2, Sittingbourne 1.
Guildford 1, Bournemouth 5.

ENGLISH LEAGUE

Division I
Arsenal 3, Manchester U. 1.
Birmingham 2, Sheffield U. 2.
Blackburn 0, Leeds U. 1.
Bolton 0, Burnley 1.
Derby 6, West Ham 0.
Everton 3, Leicester 1.
Huddersfield 3, Aston Villa 0.
*Manchester C. Bury.
*Portsmouth 0, Cardiff 1.
Wednesday 3, Newcastle 1.
Sunderland 2, Liverpool 1.
*Postponed owing to fog.

Division II
Barnsley 2, Reading 3.
Blackpool 2, Hull 1.
Bradford 4, Millwall 0.
Bristol C. 1, Preston 0.
Chelsea 1, Tottenham 1.
Clapton 1, Southampton 1.
Grimsby 2, Notts C. 2.
Notts For. 1, Middlesbrough 1.
Stoke 4, Wolves 3.
Swansea 2, Port Vale 0.
West Brom. 1, Oldham 0.

Division III. (S.)
Coventry 2, Gillingham 0.
Northampton 4, Queens P.R. 2.
Division III. (N.)
Doncaster 0, Crewe 1.
Rochdale 7, Hartlepool 4.
South Shields 2, Halifax 1.
Wrexham 2, Rotherham 0.
Nelson 6, Ashington 0.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

Clyde 3, Airdrie 1.
Cowdenbeath 2, Hamilton 0.
Dundee 3, Motherwell 0.
Falkirk 3, Celtic 0.
Hearts 2, Partick 1.
Kilmarnock 7, Raith 1.
Rangers 2, Aberdeen 0.
St. Johnstone 0, Ayr 0.
St. Mirren 1, Hibernians 0.
Third Lanark 3, Queen's Park 1.
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SNOOKER

PALACE HOTEL SEMI-FINALS

In the Palace Hotel snooker championship, the first semi-final will be played on Wednesday, December 12, at 9 p.m. between Jones and Osmond and the second on Friday, the 14th, between Luz and Silva. The final has been fixed for Wednesday, Dec. 19. The semi-finals will be the best of five frames and the final the best of seven.

The highest break in the tournament so far has been 22, made by J. Whitehall, K. K. Leung and A. J. Osmond.

made a good pivot. Herbert and Honey shone on the left. Sims, Willis and Price defended well.

S. CHINA "B" v. EASTERN

Eastern F. C. have been steadily improving since the beginning of the season and, in this match against South China "B", they put up their best performance to win deservedly by four goals to one.

Their victory is all the more marvellous in view of the fact that for practically the whole of the second half they lacked the services of Rahman, who was injured and had to be carried off.

Eastern went away with a rush. The clever play of Haroon and Sabhan on the left wing had the South China defence puzzled. Within five minutes, Eastern opened the score through Chan Yuk-cheung who netted from close range with a shot which came off the upright.

Eastern went further ahead when Sabhan took advantage of a fine pass to burst clear of the defence and score with a fine cross shot.

The same player was responsible for the third in an almost identical manner. With the loss of Rahman, Eastern were obliged to re-arrange their forward line and their attack suffered in consequence. They always had the game well in hand, however, and Dalah headed a neat goal from a free kick just outside the penalty area.

Within a minute of time, Yip Koon-hong scored for South China "B" from a free kick.

"QUEEN'S" SPORTS

THE REGIMENT'S ANNUAL ATHLETIC MEETING

KEEN CONTESTS

Attended by ideal weather conditions, the annual athletic sports meeting of the 1st Battalion the Queen's Royal Regiment was held at the battalion's camp at Sun Wai, in the New Territories.

Times recorded were not brilliant; still, neither was the track. There was a sensational finish, in the Officers Handicap; Lieut. Kealy and Lieut. Dickinson staging a dead-heat after one or two runners had fallen within sight of victory.

Popular Winner. There was a big field for the Sergeants' Race—some were last minute runners. Sergeant McCoy, conceded a generous start, evidently had determined that his form had not been properly estimated. Consequently, he proceeded to run away from everybody and came home a popular winner amongst resounding cheers.

Of course, there was a bareback riding race, and "pillow fighting," and, to wind up with, a hectic Tag-of-War, which provoked the spectators to transports of vocal enthusiasm.

On the purely sporting side, probably the best thing of the day was a beautiful bit of timing by Pte. Saunders. In the 440 yards race, which enabled him to come through and win. The pole jump was also keenly contested, and was watched with great interest.

All the events were run off with true military precision, and, if a classic expression may be used, it can be safely said that "a good time was had by all."

The Results

Throwing Cricket Ball.—1, Pte. Saunders; 2, L/Cpl. Miles; 3, Lieut. Ford; 4, Cpl. Ives. Distance: 95 yards.

100 Yards Race.—1, L/Cpl. Percival; 2, Pte. Saunders; 3, Lieut. Ford; 4, L/Cpl. Cooling. Time: 11 secs.

220 Yards Corporals Race.—1, L/Cpl. Percival; 2, L/Cpl. Cooling. Time: 26 1/5 secs.

Long Jump.—1, Pte. Cumner; 2, Lieut. Kealy; 3, Pte. Curtis; 4, L/Sgt. Hooper. Distance: 18 feet.

880 Yards Race.—1, Pte. Hutchings; 2, Pte. Warner; 3, L/Sgt. Martin. Time: 2:14 2/5 secs.

100 Yards Boys Race.—1, Boy Durrant; 2, Boy Stacey; 3, Boy Brotherton.

220 Yards Race.—1, Lieut. Kealy; 2, Lieut. Ford; 3, Pte. Saunders; 4, L/Cpl. Cooling. Time: 26 1/5 secs.

High Jump.—1, L/Cpl. Watling; 2, L/Cpl. Sharp; 3, Lieut. Kealy. Height: 5 ft. 3 in.

Putting the Weight.—1, Lieut. Kealy; 2, Pte. Saunders; 3, Pte. Stannard; 4, C.S.M. Watford. Distance: 34 ft. 4 in.

440 Yards Race.—1, Pte. Saunders; 2, L/Sgt. Martin; 3, L/Sgt. Hooper. Time: 58 3/5 secs.

V. C. Race.—1, L/Cpl. Gray; 2, Pte. Bradford.

Throwing the Discus.—1, Lieut. Kealy; 2, Pte. Boon; 3, Sgt. Wyle; 4, L/Cpl. Miles. Distance: 98 ft. 5 in.

Pole Jump.—1, L/Cpl. Percival; 2, L/Cpl. Gray; 3, Pte. Martin.

Bareback Mule Race.—1, L/Cpl. Gray; 2, Pte. Stears.

Sack Race.—1, Pte. Lewry; 2, Pte. Fowler.

Pillow Fighting.—1, Pte. Nash; 2, Pte. Crafts.

Old Soldiers Race.—1, C.S.M. Watford; 2, Q.M.S. Wakeford.

Tag-of-War.—1, "C" Coy; 2, "D" Coy; 3, M. G. Coy.

One Mile (Indian Troops) Race.—1, Naik Nursang; 2, L/N. Hassan; Shah; 3, Driver Gaida.

Officers Race.—1, Lieut. Kealy and Lieut. Dickinson (dead heat); 2, 220 Yards (Indian Troops) Race.—1, Naik Nursang; 2, Mham Khan; 3, Buggat Rham.

Inter Coy Relay.—1, "D" Co. (Pte. Dry, Pte. Warner, Pte. Kendall, Lieut. Kealy); 2, H. Q. Coy; 3, M. G. Coy.

Boys Race 440 yards Handicap.—1, Boy Crouch; 2, Boy Corby; 3, Boy Wilson.

Sergeants Race.—1, Sgt. McCoy; 2, Sgt. Mallion; 3, Sgt. Twitchen.

Band Race.—1, Bdmn. Winter; 2, Bdmn. Dodson.

One Mile (teams to count) —1, "D" Coy; 2, H. Q. Coy; 3, M. G. Coy (Pte. Warner of "D" was the first man home).

The 3 mile race, decided on December 8, resulted as follows:—1, Pte. Storey; 2, L/Cpl. Rowbottom; 3, Pte. Woodlands. The winning team of six were the M. G. Coy.

In the Court of Session, Edinburgh, Lord Murray granted a decree of divorce, with costs, to Jessica Ruth, Countess of Northesk, of Brook-street, London, W., against David Ludovic George Hopetoun Carnegie, Earl of Northesk, of Half Moon-street, London, W.

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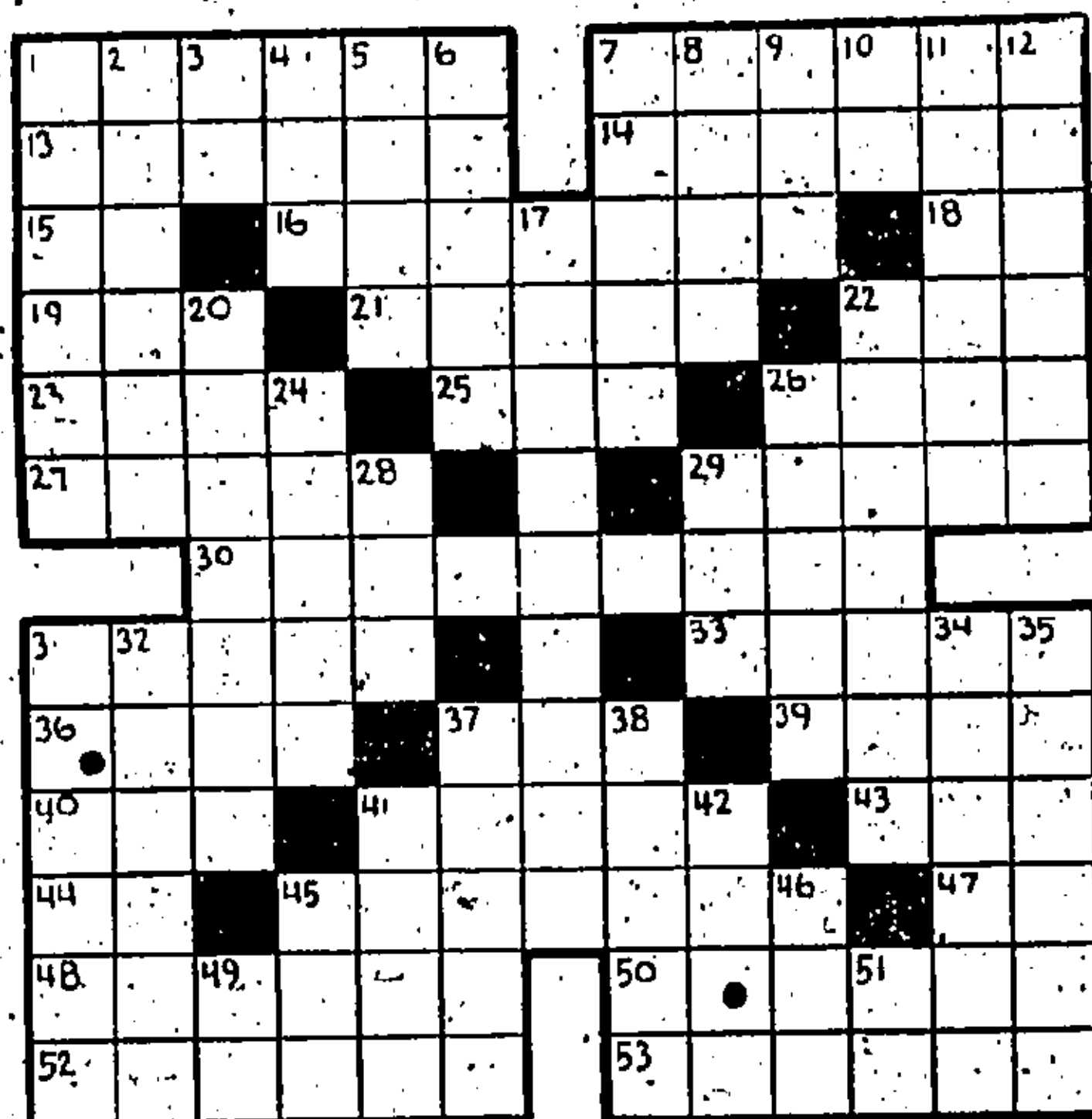
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plover, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-Lives
- 7-Shines
- 13-Drive out
- 14-Parting to a holy season
- 15-Preposition
- 16-Conclusion of poem (pl.)
- 18-Negative
- 19-A bird
- 21-Period of time (pl.)
- 22-Confusion
- 23-Enough (post.)
- 25-Pen
- 26-Aid
- 27-Girl's name
- 29-Aglaze
- 30-Wood cast ashore by sea
- 31-Polish
- 32-Trocity
- 33-Unit of weight (pl.)
- 37-Augment

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 39-Son of Seth
- 40-Unit of work
- 41-Wharves
- 42-Obtained
- 43-Printer's unit
- 44-Part of women's apparel
- 47-Pronoun
- 48-Retreat
- 50-Poanot
- 52-Put away
- 53-Cavalry sword

VERTICAL

- 1-Homes
- 2-A fruit
- 3-Preposition
- 4-Expire
- 5-See
- 6-Verbs suddenly
- 7-Exult
- 8-Limbs
- 9-Half an em (pl.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 10-Preposition
- 11-Repairer
- 12-Noses
- 13-Distances north or south
- 14-Phrasing
- 15-Dwelling
- 16-Gives notice
- 18-Appose
- 19-Hurry
- 20-Signal of distress
- 21-Directs
- 22-Stinging insect
- 23-One who sentences
- 24-Ether compounds
- 25-Made public
- 26-Less
- 27-Rod
- 28-Covered portico
- 29-Automobile
- 30-Cry
- 31-Leave
- 32-Exist

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

GOLF

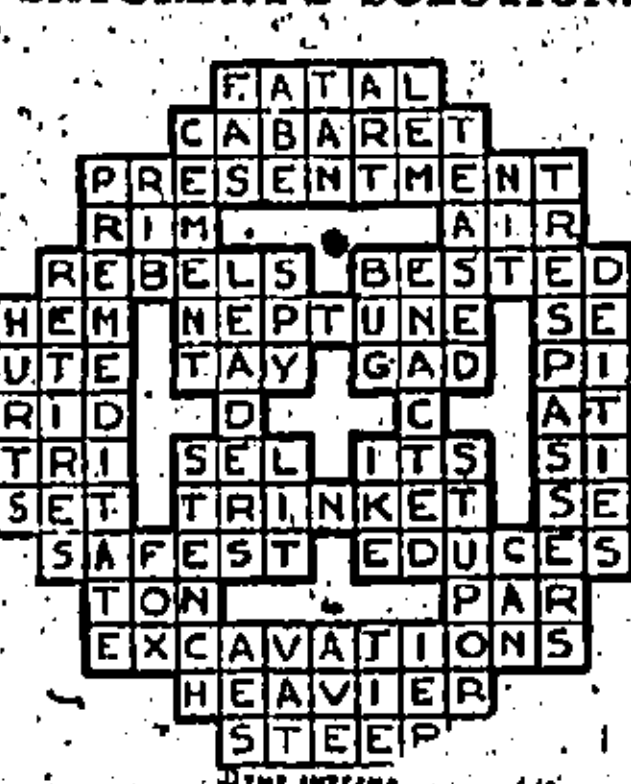
EARLY ROUNDS OF CHAMPIONSHIP

The first and second rounds of the local golf championship were decided yesterday at Fanling. Results were:-

- 1st Round
R. H. Hollis beat K. S. Robertson by 5 and 4
J. M. Walker beat A. E. Liasman by 5 and 4
O. E. C. Marton beat A. J. Lay by 5 and 3
F. J. de Rome beat T. L. Christie 1 up
A. B. Stewart v. R. K. Valentine scratched
A. H. Ferguson beat H. H. Lennox by 5 and 3
I. W. Shevan beat T. G. Bennett by 6 and 4

(Continued at foot of next column.)

SATURDAY'S SOLUTION.



- D. G. G. MacDonald beat L. R. Andrews at the 19th.
R. H. Hollis beat J. M. Walker 2 up.
O. E. C. Marton beat F. J. de Rome by 6 and 3.
A. B. Stewart beat A. H. Ferguson 1 up.
D. G. G. MacDonald beat I. W. Shevan at the 19th.

MACAO RACES

BIG FIELDS AT 12TH EXTRA MEETING

AND GOOD DIVIDENDS

Excellent weather, a large attendance, good dividends and big fields were features in the 12th extra race meeting at Macao, held yesterday. Results were as follows:-

1-The All Out Handicap: Six Furlongs

Mr. F. A. da Silva's Amusement (Mr. Harriman) 1
Mrs. R. H. Charles's May (Mr. Clark) 2
Messrs. Chang & Ng's Doubtful (Mr. Charles) 3
Also Ran: Andantino (Mr. Lee); "Dzingbo" (Mr. Proulx); L. C. Bill (Mr. Ip), Loyal Henchman (Mr. Fontes), Ploughman (Mr. T. Wong), Silver Mine (Mr. Botelho), The Farmer (Mr. G. Roza).

Time: 1.35.1/5. 6 lengths. 2 lengths.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$182. Places \$22.70, \$6.50, \$6.50.
Cash Sweeps: 1st-Ticket No. 27-\$104.10; 2nd-Ticket No. 10-\$29.80; 3rd-Ticket No. 24-\$14.90.

2-The Sub-Griffins Handicap: A & B Classes: 9 Furlongs

Messrs. Stanton & Reidy's Mowgli (Mr. Reidy) 1
Messrs. Wing Fat & Co.'s Cavalier (Mr. T. Wong) 2
Mr. Eve's Twilight Eve (Mr. T. R. Wong) 3
Also Ran: As You Like It (Mr. Harriman), Caesar (Mr. Backhouse), Perpetual Motion (Mr. Clark).

Time: 2.30.4/5. Short head. 1 length.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$7.80. Places \$6.00, \$11.60, \$7.30.
Cash Sweeps: 1st-Ticket No. 19-\$134.40; 2nd-Ticket No. 67-\$38.40; 3rd-Ticket No. 97-\$19.20.

3-The Macao Handicap: One and a Quarter Miles

Mr. Eve's Misty Eve (Mr. T. Wong) 1
Mr. Cheuk Suen-lo's U-U II (Mr. Proulx) 2
Messrs. Chan and Rafeek's Fanling Stag (Mr. Harriman) 3
Also Ran: Bright Prospect (Mr. G. Roza), Ching Hoi (Mr. McCartney), Glory (Mr. Reidy), Sunning (Mr. Charles), Wuchang (Mr. Clark), Zircon II (Mr. J. M. Lo).

Time: 2.44. 3 lengths. 6 lengths.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$6.90. Places \$5.18, \$7.40, \$10.00.
Cash Sweeps: 1st-Ticket No. 95-\$184.80; 2nd-Ticket No. 103-\$52.80; 3rd-Ticket No. 77-\$26.40.

4-The December Selling Plate: One Mile

Dr. S. To Wong's Grey Eyes (Mr. G. da Roza) 1
Mr. Josie's The Haugh (Mr. Proulx) 2
Mr. Lee Wan's Branco (Mr. Clark) 3
Also Ran: Andantino (Mr. Charles), Little Darling (Mr. McCartney), Ullswater (Mr. T. Wong), Tap Siac (Mr. Harriman).

Time: 2.11.4/5. 1 1/2 lengths. 3 lengths.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$33.30. Places \$8.80, \$6.80, \$10.00.
Cash Sweeps: 1st-Ticket No. 96-\$213.30; 2nd-Ticket No. 45-\$61.00; 3rd-Ticket No. 42-\$30.50.

5-The Macao Fifth Aggregate Stakes: One Mile-A Cup call

the Aggregate Cup to be run for five times will be presented to the winning pony by scoring the most marks in the races for the Aggregate Stakes during the 1928 Season.

Dr. C. M. Leitao's Ma Kau Siac (Mr. G. da Roza) 1
Mr. B. Hashim's My Lady (Mr. Charles) 2
H.E.'s Veloz (Mr. Harriman) 3
Also Ran: Sutherland (Mr. T. Wong), Westlake (Mr. Backhouse).

Time: 2.08.2/5. 2 1/2 lengths; many lengths.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$10.20. Places \$5.10, \$5.10.
Cash Sweeps: 1st-Ticket No. 12129-\$1,824.50; 2nd-Ticket No. 12279-\$521.30; 3rd-Ticket No. 12204-\$260.65; Tickets Nos. 15443, 15368, 14025, 11323, 10754, 10283, 10084, 11390, 12240, 12394, 14401, 14852, 13605, 15283, 10461, 13154, \$16 each.

6-The December Novices Stakes: One Mile-A Cup call

Messrs. Chan and Rafeek's Chemal (Mr. McCartney) 1
Dr. C. M. Leitao's Desert Wind (Mr. Lee) 2
Messrs. Stanton and Reidy's Amusement (Mr. Botelho) 3
Also Ran: Ace of Spades (Mr. Shillington), Cavalier (Mr. Ip), Kwongchow (Mr. Fontes), Monument (Dr. T. Wong).

Time: 2.04. 2 lengths. 4 lengths.
Pari-Mutuel: Winner \$11.50. Places \$5.50, \$11.70, \$6.50.
Cash Sweeps: 1st-Ticket No. 146-\$336; 2nd-Ticket No. 144-\$96; 3rd-Ticket No. 188-\$43.

TRUE HAPPINESS

THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY LECTURE

4 CLASSES OF HUMANITY

"Happiness" was the subject Mr. M. Manuk delivered in a lecture last week at a meeting of the Theosophical Society. The following is a resume of the lecture:-

Friends, the subject I have chosen to speak about to-night is one that should appeal to all, inasmuch as every living creature, every living being is longing for that one thing in life-happiness-but those who seek happiness hardly know the best means of attaining that particular goal or the making of the attainment a permanent and a lasting one. The mistake is due entirely, not to the absence of happiness itself, but rather to the mental state and to the state in evolution of the person concerned.

If we look at humanity as a whole we can divide them into four distinct classes.

Physical Type

One particular section of humanity may be classed as the physical type. That particular type can only look upon life from its own particular angle and look for happiness in things and objects which simply go to satisfy the cravings of the physical body. They have no conception of any other happiness but what the physical body craves and the satisfaction of such cravings.

This physical type, however, can be divided into various sub-classes viz: those who seek happiness in the opinion of others with regard to themselves, and those who consider social advancement as supreme happiness and yet others to whom possession is the acme of happiness.

Regarding mere physical gratification we know that the more we pamper the physical body the greater becomes its requirements and its appetite increases. The physical body will thus in time become the insatiable master instead of an instrument. Excessive physical indulgence sooner or later sets into motion the laws of destruction and a state of discontent inevitably follows because the physical body's wants are never satisfied. Men of that description will never find permanent happiness for true happiness should be permanent and beyond the power of things transient.

Role of Hypocrite

Let us consider the other type who tries to find happiness in the good opinion of other people. A person who tries to find such happiness at once assumes the role of a hypocrite inasmuch as he has got to conceal his thoughts and his feelings in order that others might see in what he thinks they should see in order to gain their approbation. The good opinion of others makes a slave of them. It stops them in their progress and in their mental and moral evolution; and after all the mind of another person is a wretched place as a home for our happiness. These very opinions that so many hanker after they would discard as useless were they brought into play in matters concerning their own interests.

True happiness cannot be obtained in the opinion of other people inasmuch as opinions are unstable. The man who lives for the opinion of others enslaves himself and lives the life of continuous fear-test he should be found out.

Social Advancement

Those who seek happiness in social advancement in power and in authority seek happiness in illusions and live in constant fear and their life becomes a slavish subservience to those in authority, and when these do attain their goal they become unscrupulous and overbearing because all their desires have been selfish. Permanent happiness is a state of consciousness and not a state of power or authority.

Yet there are others who seek happiness simply in possession such as the miser. A person of that description is practically a moral and spiritual slave to that one god Greed. To try to find permanent happiness in transient things of the physical world is an impossibility because the transient can never produce the permanent.

Emotional Eruption

The second section of humanity is the emotional type, those who do not so much crave for physical possessions as for emotional eruptions for they feel that unless their emotions are aroused they are not living. This section of humanity is again divided into various types-those who seek happiness in things material and exterior to themselves and those who seek happiness from the responses of the consciousness in objects of beauty, music and all other things which appeal to the higher emotions.

Thus we have the emotional type who seek happiness in emotionalism whether high or low but these emotions are not and can never be the foundation of a true and lasting happiness because the objects and conditions which appeal to the emotions are as transient as physical possessions.

Mental Type

Let us consider the Mental Type. This type can also be divided into various sections, those (the lower type) who try to find happiness in study and in knowledge but knowledge being infinite the mental type

will find no permanent happiness in his quest.

The higher mental type are those who take pleasure not in making their mind a lumber room for the opinion of others but who study life and its manifestations. Such men are called philosophers and metaphysicians. These men seek happiness in understanding the purpose of life and ultimately realise the utter uselessness of external objects as a means to happiness whether such objects appeal to the senses or the emotions.

Those who seek permanent happiness in things transient learn by suffering and disappointment.

Mind Like a Mirror

The mind is like a mirror-if it is allowed to be clouded over with the dust of evil thoughts and passions and worldly desires it will not reflect the beauty that it is within. The mind has to be constantly swept clean of worldly thoughts and when that is done then but not till then, shall we find happiness for happiness is a state of consciousness reflected in the mind.

There is yet another method of finding happiness and that is the method of the Mystic and the Devotee, the method of the Earnest Soul who craves for the Eternal the Christ within. He turns away from the sensual and seeks happiness in His Beloved.

Having found that Eternal Truth within himself, he will then seek truth and happiness expressed in all nature for he has become one with the very source of happiness. It is man's heritage to be happy; were it not so we should not be seeking for happiness.

Harmonious Vibration
"But seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven and all these shall be added unto you."

Our varied experiences in previous incarnations teach us through trials and suffering the uselessness of transient things as a means to permanent happiness and we turn homeward like the Prodigal Son for the true happiness which can only be found within and when we find that happiness we shall be like the flowers of the field shedding our beauty and happiness unconsciously because we have become beauty and happiness itself. The presence of such a soul becomes a benediction to those in suffering.

True happiness is a condition of harmonious vibrations of the emotions, the mind, and the physical body attuned to the highest ideals and when we have attained these and liberated ourselves from the limitations that are surrounding us then we shall enter that Kingdom of Happiness which nothing will be able to take away from us because our treasure is in heaven and the Kingdom of Heaven is within ourselves.

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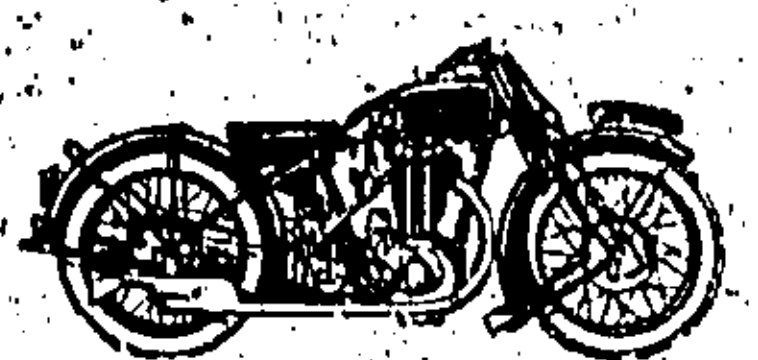


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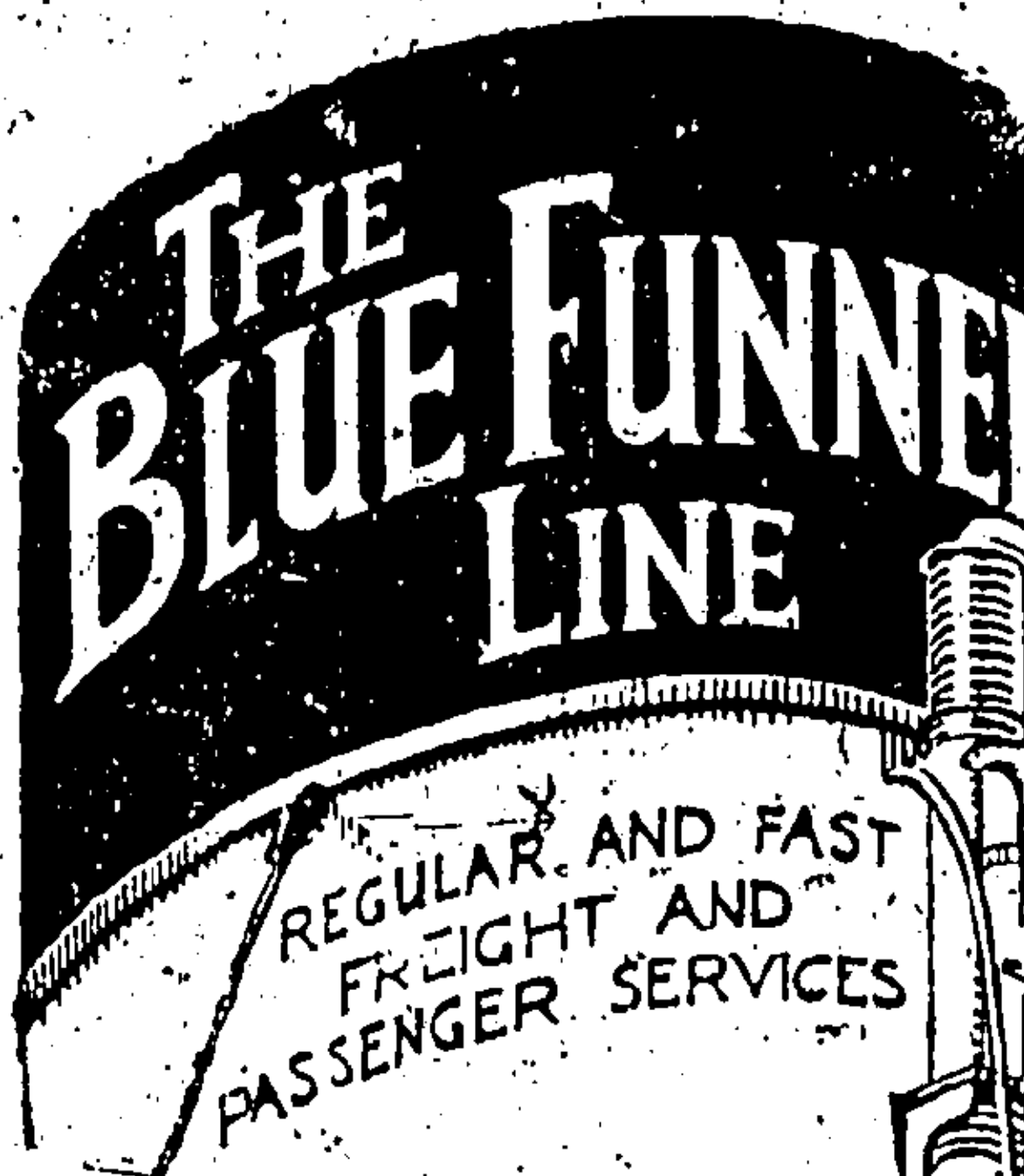
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From	Per	MONDAY, DECEMBER 10.
Shanghai & Amoy	10.	Linan.
Amoy	11.	Takada.
Shanghai & Amoy	11.	Philoctetes.
Straits	12.	Namsang
Shanghai & Europe via Siberia	12.	Talima
Nov.	13.	Diomed.
Japan	13.	Ginyo Maru

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	MONDAY, DECEMBER 10.
Saigon	Wong Shek Kung	3.30 p.m.
Ceylon, India, Mauritius & E. & S. Africa via Singapore	Andes Maru	3.30 p.m.
Samshui & Wuchow	Tai Hing	4.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, U.S.A., Canada, C. & S. America and Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, B.C., 31st Dec. Parcels 3 p.m. Registration 4.15 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	President Cleveland	
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	President Cleveland	
Letters 6 p.m.		
For	Per	TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11.
Holhow & Haiphong	Borneo	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America and Europe via San Francisco—due San Francisco: 4th Jan. 1929 and Europe via Siberia. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Siberia Maru	1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow	Sunning	1.30 p.m.
Amoy	Prosper	3.30 p.m.
Saigon	Kwongsang	5 p.m.
Swatow		
For	Per	WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12.
Fort Bayard, Holhow, Pakhoi & Haiphong	Hanoi	8.30 a.m.
Holhow	Klungchow	10.30 a.m.
Straits, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 11th Jan. 1929. K.P.O. Registration 1 p.m. Letters 1 p.m. G.P.O. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Diomed.	
Shanghai	Yunnan	1.30 p.m.
Java via Batavia	Tjkarang	2.30 p.m.
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FORMAL OPENING

FOUR YEARS WORK AND HALF MILLION COST—
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London, Yesterday.—The new underground station at Piccadilly Circus will be formally opened to-morrow.

It is probably the finest and best equipped "Tube" station in the world.

A spacious booking hall, brilliantly lighted and enlivened with bright kiosks and show cases, is enclosed in an ambulatory subway.

Access to the station will be by means of seven entrances from different points round the Circus. Eleven escalators will serve the station, and the whole installation is planned to cope with 60,000 passengers yearly and a service of 1,580 trains daily or 120 per hour in rush periods.

The new station has taken four years to construct and has cost \$500,000.—British Wireless Service.

N. Z. POLITICS

SIR JOSEPH WARD TO FORM A CABINET

GOVERNMENT'S DEFEAT

Wellington, Saturday.—The Governor-General of New Zealand has entrusted to the Rt. Hon. Sir Joseph G. Ward, Bart., P.C. (leader of the United Party) the task of forming a Cabinet.

Reuter.—The Contes Government resigned as a sequel to the defeat by 60 to 28 on a motion of non-confidence proposed by Sir Joseph Ward, with which Labour joined.

Recent elections foreshadowed this development. Three Independents pledged their support to Sir Joseph Ward. He is thus able to command a greater number of votes than the old Government. The final state of the parties after the elections is as follows:—

Reform Party (Gov.)	29
United Liberals	27
Labour	19
Independents	5

The Rt. Hon. J. G. Coates, P.C. has been Prime Minister since 1925. Sir Joseph Ward was Premier in 1906-12.

CHIANG'S SON

HIS ARREST IN RUSSIA DENIED

Berlin, Saturday.—The news from Russia shows that Stalin is ruthlessly suppressing the adherents of Trotsky, batches of whom he is sending to convict settlements in the Solovetsk Islands and Kam where are respectively, 27,000 and 20,000 prisoners, including many dignitaries and hundreds of laymen of the Roman Catholic church. They are being treated most barbarously by the Soviet gaolers. 3,214 prisoners at Solovetsk are said to have perished during the past year.

Among the latest consignments of political prisoners is a group of Chinese youths, who declared solidarity with Radek, including the son of Chiang Kai-shek.

Bad Relations with Father.—Nanking, Saturday.—Marshal Chiang Kai-shek's Chief of Staff, interviewed by Reuter regarding the foregoing cable, stated that Chiang Kai-shek has received no news of his son's arrest and that their relations are bad, the son having attacked his father in speeches and statements at Moscow; but Chiang Kai-shek requested Reuter to investigate the reasons for the arrest.—Reuter.

Semi-Official Denial.—Moscow, Yesterday.—The report of the arrest of the son of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek is semi-officially declared to be a pure invention. There have been no arrests of Chinese in Moscow or elsewhere.—Reuter.

Washington, Dec. 9.—President Coolidge has asked Congress to authorize the expenditure of an additional \$1,350,000 on each of two giant submarines at present being constructed. This extra grant is necessitated by an alteration to the vessels' engines.—Reuter's American Service.

"ELECTRIC CHAIR" AVENGES CRIME

IN BILIBID

MEN CONVICTED OF TRIPLE MURDER PAY PENALTY AFTER TWO YEARS

Manila.—The electric chair in Bilibid claimed two more lives when Juan Bangug, 30, and Jose Agoluan, 40, both of Isabela, paid the extreme penalty for the murder of two Constabulary soldiers and an Igorot "cargador" in Bontoc in December, 1926.

The execution was carried out in accordance with the law and prison regulations, Ramon Vic-

"FINE TO CLOUDY"

N. E. winds, fresh, fine to cloudy, is the forecast until noon to-morrow.

The anticyclone over China has strengthened.

A depression shown over N. E. Japan. Fresh to strong monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the China Sea.

THE KING'S HEALTH

(Continued from Page 1.)

there is no diminution in the exhaustion referred to in this morning's bulletin. Pulse remains steady. Signed: Sir Stanley Hewitt, Lord Dawson of Penn.

Earlier Telegrams.—London, Dec. 8. A bulletin issued at 11.15 a.m. to-day stated:—

H.M. the King had some hours of sleep. His temperature is still raised on account of the local condition in one of the lungs.

His general condition is the same. Public sympathy and interest is unabated at the third week-end of H.M. the King's illness; but the more hopeful developments of the past week, added to the fact that the night was the coldest this winter, no doubt, were the reasons for the fewer inquirers who called at the Palace gates towards day-break than on previous mornings.

"Very Hopeful"—The fact that the King obtained some hours of sleep is regarded as very hopeful.

It is learnt that his temperature has not increased but the doctors' phrase indicates that it is still subject to considerable variations.

Eight degrees of frost were registered in the Palace grounds. The clear atmosphere is a welcome change to the past days' fogs.

All members of the Royal Family have kept in constant touch with the King's daily progress.

The bulletins were submitted to H.M. the Queen immediately they were prepared, after which they were telephoned to all the King's relations at home and telegraphed to relatives abroad, like H.R.H. the Duke of Connaught who is in the South of France, and wireless to the Prince of Wales aboard H.M.S. "Enterprise".—Reuter.

X-Ray Examination.—A British official wireless message states:—

This morning's bulletin, after stating that the King had had some restful sleep and that his general strength was maintained, added that further investigation of the right side of the chest would be undertaken during the day. It was subsequently announced that an x-ray examination of the patient had been carried out.

This was the second examination of the King. The first was conducted by Dr. Graham Hodgson, of King's College Hospital, and was undertaken in the first stages of illness. Dr. Hodgson again carried out the work to-day.

Cairo, Dec. 8. H.R.H. the Prince of Wales has arrived here on his journey back from Africa to London.

His Royal Highness was accompanied by an equerry and his private secretary, together with Lord Lloyd (High Commissioner of Egypt) and a representative of King Fuad of Egypt. He arrived in cold and cheerless weather.

The Prince was wearing a shepherd's plaid overcoat and looking very bronzed but very tired. No large crowds assembled owing to the early hour, but early workers in the streets, through which His Royal Highness drove to the Residence, were to read the latest Reuter telegrams. He was relieved to hear the more reassuring news of His Majesty.—Reuter.

MISSIONARIES BACK AT WORK

NORTH CHINA FIELD

RETURNING DESPITE BANDITS AND FAMINES. SEQUEL TO RAVAGES OF WAR

Peking, Dec. 3. American and British Protestant missionaries in large numbers are returning to the interior of North China to resume the work which was interrupted by the Nationalist advances early in 1927 and again in 1928.

While bandits are still common and famines general, the missionaries feel that they can safely go back to work.

Many of those who return are finding that their homes and mission buildings have been badly damaged or altogether destroyed by soldiers of one army or another.

By the end of this year, several of the leading missions will have the full number of missionaries at work. In Honan, Shensi, Shensi and Kansu provinces, it is expected that there will be personnel equal to that before the Nationalist outburst in 1927.

ARMY CONFERENCE

DISBANDMENT PROBLEM DISCUSSED

Marshal Li Chai-sum, Chief of General Staff in the Nationalist Army and head of the Canton Government, has held a conference in military headquarters in Canton to discuss disbandment of troops.

Among those present were:—General Chan Chai-tong (commanding the 4th Nationalist Army), General Chui King-tong (commanding the 6th Nationalist Army), General Sun Hsi-man (representing General Chan Ming-shu, commanding the 11th Nationalist Army and chairman-designate of the Canton Government),

General Wong Shu-hung (commanding the 15th Nationalist Army and head of the Kwangsi Government), General Li Chu-lung (Chief of Staff of the 16th Nationalist Army), General Hau Hak-cheung (commanding the 3rd Independent division).

Very few problems were brought up for discussion but the plans governing the reduction and disbandment of troops were made known to the audience by Marshal Li who verbally instructed the various Army and Division Commanders to proceed forthwith with the demobilisation of their troops according to these plans.

LATEST "TERMS"

REPORTED CHINA AND JAPAN AGREEMENT

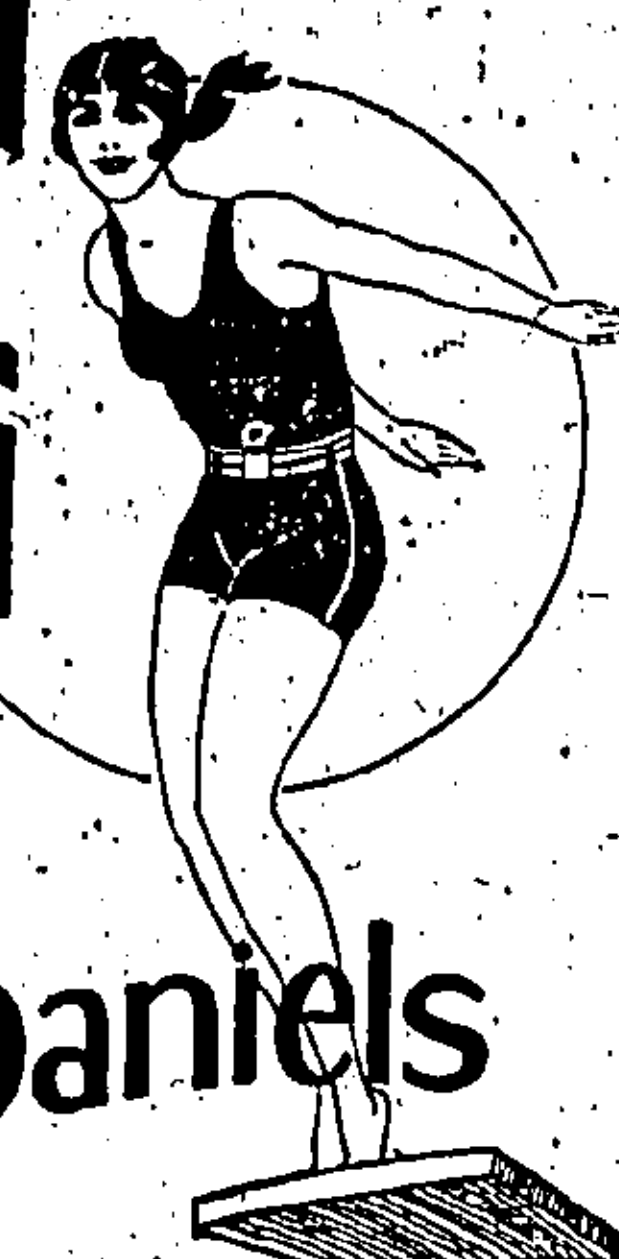
Shanghai, Saturday.—The "Shun Pao" states that Mr. T. V. Soong (the Chinese Minister of Finance) and Mr. Yada (Japanese Consul-General at Shanghai) have reached a secret agreement whereby, according to information from Japanese sources, the National Government of China recognised the hitherto unsecured Manchuria Loans and arranged to liquidate them as from 1929 by paying aside \$5,000,000 annually from the increased Customs collections. The payments to be increased by \$1,000,000 per annum until the Loans have been fully refunded; and, in return, Japan agrees to Tariff revision and Tariff autonomy in China.—Reuter.

arrived here on his journey back from Africa to London.

His Royal Highness was accompanied by an equerry and his private secretary, together with Lord Lloyd (High Commissioner of Egypt) and a representative of King Fuad of Egypt. He arrived in cold and cheerless weather.

The Prince was wearing a shepherd's plaid overcoat and looking very bronzed but very tired. No large crowds assembled owing to the early hour, but early workers in the streets, through which His Royal Highness drove to the Residence, were to read the latest Reuter telegrams. He was relieved to hear the more reassuring news of His Majesty.—Reuter.

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